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NOTIFICATION No. 5084

SUNSHADES OVER MUNICIPAL FOOTPATHS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that permits to erect sunshades over Municipal footpaths may be obtained at the Revenue Office, Administration Building, or at Wayside or Gordon Road Police Stations upon payment of the fee $1.40 per fong in the case of cloth sunshades and $3 per fong for mat sunshades, minimum fee $1.40 and $3 respectively.

These fees are subject to a surcharge of ten per cent.

The permit is available for the year ending December 31, 1939, and must be obtained before the sunshade is erected.

By order,
G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Shanghai, April 27, 1939.

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NOTIFICATION No. 5088

DOGS

Dog owners who have not yet taken out licences for the current year are requested to present their applications at the Revenue Office or at Bubbling Well, Gordon Road or Yangtszepoo Police Station together with the fee of $5 (plus surcharge 10 per cent.) for each dog.

Attention is directed to Condition No. 4 imposed in the licence, as follows:—

"The dog, when in the streets or other place of public resort, shall be effectively muzzled, but in such a manner as will admit of its breathing and drinking."

Dogs found without muzzles, whether led or at large, within the limits of the Settlement or on outlying roads, will be seized by the Police and detained at the kennels for a period of three clear days or longer as circumstances may direct; their owners, when identified, will be prosecuted. Dogs wearing ineffective muzzles will be regarded as unmuzzled.

Unmuzzled dogs found at large within the limits of the Settlement or on Municipal roads outside the limits of the Settlement, if they cannot be seized, are liable to be shot.

Enquiries on the subject of lost or strayed dogs should be made at the Gordon Road Police Station (Telephone 30015), or Yangtszepoo Police Station (Telephone 50153).

By order,
G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Shanghai, April 27, 1939.

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NOTIFICATION No. 5089.

MUNICIPAL INVESTMENT BANK

Periodical Investment Deposits.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there will be no allotment of Municipal Debentures to Depositors on May 5 next. Balances at credit of Depositors' accounts will continue to carry interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum until such time as an allotment is made.

By order,
G. GODFREY PHILLIPS,
Secretary.

COUNCIL CHAMBER,
Shanghai, April 27, 1939.

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BRITISH UNIVERSITIES' SOCIETY OF CHINA

The Annual General Meeting of the above Society will be held today at the Park Hotel, Sky Terrace at 6 p.m.

Tea and refreshments will be served from 5 to 5.45 p.m. 12369

NOTICE

The Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes hereby advises that, according to orders received, no person, except passengers upon presentation of their steamship tickets, will hereafter be admitted on board the Company's vessels at any time during the call of the said vessels in the port of Shanghai.

R. RODENFUSER,
Local Manager

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ss. SONTAY

General Average

Consignees are hereby notified that in consequence of the stranding of the above-named vessel at Djibouti on March 10, General Average has been declared on cargo shipped in Europe and Way Ports before Djibouti.

Consignees are required to sign General Average bonds and deposit a provisional contribution of 6% cash payment before delivery of their cargo.

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Mr. V. Levin has resigned from the position of Sales Manager and as of to-day's date will have no connection with the Company.

L. D. CARSON, *Manager.*

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To-day's Events

APRIL

28 B.U.S.C. Annual Meeting at Park Hotel
28 Nordisk Fest, Cercle Sportif Francais 8
28 American Junior Chamber of Commerce, Dinner Dance, 9
28 *Mutiny of the 'Bounty' (1789)*

Coming Events

APRIL

29 Dinner Dance, Floorshow, C.S.F., 8.30
29 'The Last Waltz,' Lt. Op., Lyc., 8.45
29 Artist Club, Shanghai, first evening performance, A.W.C., 9
29 A.T.A. presents 'Whose Money,' 'The Eve in Evelyn,' 'A Flower of Yeddo,' at Shanghai Jewish School, 9
30 St. Andrew's v. St. George's Soc., Golf Match
30 'The Last Waltz,' Lt. Op., Lyc., 8.45
30 Municipal Orchestra Symphony Concert, Lyceum, 5.15

MAY

2 A.W.C. Literary Dept. tiffin, 12.30
2 A.D.C. Club Evening, Lyceum, 9.15
4 B.W.A., S.S.B. Jumble Sale, 9.30 a.m.
4 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
4 B.W.A. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3
4 S.W.A. general meeting, C.S.F., 4
4 B.U.S.C., 'Petroleum Refining,' by H.G.B. Perry, 114 Peking Road, 6
4 Beethoven's Mass in C., Community Church, 8.30
4 Le Ballet Russe, gala performance of 'The Sleeping Beauty,' symphonic ballet music by Tschaikowsky, Lyc., 9
5 American Sch'l operetta, 'Boy Blue,' 4
5 Annual Dinner of the Society of Chartered Accountants in China, 8.15
5 Shanghai Camera Club Meeting and Lecture, 330 Szechuen Road, 9
6 Prof. B. Zakharoff's pupils' annual piano recital, A.W.C., 4
6 American School operetta, 'Boy Blue,' 5.30
6 Cathedral Boys' School Athletic Sports, Kiaochow Park, 2.30
6 Ballet Russe, 'Sleeping Beauty,' Lyc.
7 Ballet Russe, 'Sleeping Beauty,' Lyc.
8 Engineering Society meeting, 5.15
9 A.W.C. flower show, 2.30
9 German A.D.C. 'Lauter Luegen,' Lyc., 9
11 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
11 Recital, Asiatic/Indian dances by Slavina-Brown, Indira Devi, Lyc., 9.15
12 B.W.A. Gardening Club Day, 4
16 A.W.C. annual meeting, 3
16 Cath. Boys' School, M.C.L. Entertainment, 5.30
16 Gala performances, Lyceum Theatre, 'Music Hall 1900/1939'
17 Cath. Boys' School, M.C.L. Entertainment, 5.30
17 Public School for Girls, Operetta, 'Whimland,' in aid of M.C.L., 5.30
17 Gala performances, Lyceum Theatre, 'Music Hall 1900/1939'
18 Rotary Club, Metropole Hotel, 12.30
18 Public School for Girls, Operetta, 'Whimland,' in aid of M.C.L., 5.30
19 Canadian Club of Shanghai, Annual General Meeting
19 Institution of Electrical Engineers (China Centre) annual dinner, 8
20 S'hai Light Horse, Ann. Ball, Race Club
21 Ann. Piano Recital, pupils of Miss A. M. Remedios, R.A.S. Hall, 8.30
23 A.W.C. Bridge and Mahjongg, 3

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K. M. CUMMING,
Secretary & Treasurer.

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K. M. CUMMING,
Secretary & Treasurer.

NOTICE

Due to some misunderstanding between Mr. LIU CHING PAO and Mr. WONG CHIEN LIANG, advertisements were put in this paper by both parties in connection with the organization of CHING SUNG KEE, General Building Contractor. Now, such misunderstanding has been clarified and notice is therefore hereby given that the organization of the said CHING SUNG KEE will be dissolved upon mutual consent and agreement of Mr. LIU CHING PAO and Mr. WONG CHIEN LIANG.

LIU CHING PAO,
WONG CHIEN LIANG.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twenty-Ninth Annual General Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at No. 49 Szechuen Road, Shanghai on Tuesday, May 16, 1939 at 11.45 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938, declaring a dividend, electing Directors and Auditors and transacting any other ordinary business of the Company.

The Transfer Books and Share Register of the Company will be closed from May 10 to May 16, 1939, both days inclusive.

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WILLIAM S. H. HUNG,
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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 1939

The Annual General Meeting of Members of the Cercle Sportif Francais will be held in the Club House TO-DAY, April 28, 1939 at 6 p.m.

BUSINESS:

Passing of the accounts for 1938
Election of the various Committees
Alterations to rules
General Business:
a/Construction of Bowling alleys
b/Construction of Squash Courts
c/Lounge accommodation on the Ground floor
d/Corresponding increase of monthly subscriptions

Members desirous of bringing forward a resolution on any special matter should send the same in writing to the Secretary at least seven days before the Meeting. (Rule 31).

Members wishing to serve on a Committee are requested to send in their application to the Secretary as soon as possible before April 21 and to mention the Committee which they wish to join.

As a result of Rule 27 only the names of Members requesting so by letter will be put on the lists of the various Sub-Committees.

H. A. ANETTE
Le Secrétaire
Pour le Comité et par Ordre
Shanghai, April 11, 1939.

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To-day's News

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Club Hippique Gymkhana
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St. George's Day Observance and Children's Party
"B" Coy., S.V.C., Annual Dinner
B.U.S.C. Supper Dance
S.M.C. Ratepayers' Meeting
Local Sports
Local Weddings

Photographs of the above and others which have appeared in the "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS," are now on view at Watson's, 71 Nanking Road, where prints may be obtained within a few hours.

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ADDENDUM No. 5

PART I: AMENDMENT

Additional rates of freight to the undermentioned Ports are amended as follows:—

			Add to Column 2.
Page 26.	Beyrouth	"direct"	6/9 All other Cargo.
" 32.	Istanbul	"	26/9 Silk Piece-goods and Valuable Cargo.
" 32.	Ismir	"	16/9 Groundnuts with shells.
" 37.	Piraeus	"	6/6 Cane, Matting and Silk Waste.
" 41.	Thessaloniki	"	
Page 26.	Beyrouth with transhipment.		19/6 Groundnuts with shells.

PART II: ADDITION

			Column 1 Net	*Column 2*
Page 47.	Animal Residue for Manure	40 cft.	at discretion of Shipping Co.	

REDUCTION

			Column 1 Net	*Column 2*
Page 52.	Flasks, Thermos	40 cft.	54/-	60/-
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Shanghai, April 28, 1939.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A Recent Play:
The Production Defended

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—While the article in the "North-China Daily News" criticising the choice of "Room For Two" as a suitable play for presentation in Shanghai has some points of truth in it, much of what was written seemed little more than a direct attack on the A.D.C.—in a column headed "Impartial..."—in which the writer showed that he is by no means in close touch with the way in which amateur theatre clubs are run.

If he is one of the lovers of the legitimate theatre to whom he refers, the writer of this article is possibly a member of the A.D.C. If this is so, it would, I imagine, be better for him to pass on his candid opinions to this club through its internal channels than for the club to be pilloried in the press, where an adequate reply might not be easy.

It would appear that as a club, the A.D.C. are providing plays for their members rather than primarily for the Shanghai public. If those presenting plays may not judge popularity by length of run and box office returns, how else can they do so? A theatre club, like any professional company, must watch box office returns, for on receipts depend the very existence of the club. In Shanghai the A.D.C. would seem certain of good booking by a number of people who make a practice of seeing every play presented by the club, irrespective of the type of play or the names on the bill, so that the likelihood of members refusing to see the club productions would not arise.

Again, I would defend the amateur talent in Shanghai where if difficulty is found in casting a play, it is more probably due to the host of social attractions than to a lack of talent. I would also mention the inability of your dramatic reporter (not critic, please) to find fault with even the smallest part player in almost all A.D.C. productions. His expressions frequently consist of a long, long trail of superlatives.

It is a pity that the writer of this article does not name one of the 'rich treasures' he would like revived. It is enough to say that the choice of a play by Shakespeare, Ibsen, Tchekov or authors of similar quality would receive the criticism that amateurs could not sustain such a standard of acting. No club could afford to produce plays of 'real theatre' if an adverse booking might be the result, in addition to the seats that are given away as a cumshaw.

In conclusion, I hope that the writer of this article "A Recent Play" has now recovered from the nasty taste left in his mouth after seeing "Room For Two." I am still recovering from a similar affliction after reading his article.

Jack Point.

Shanghai, April 26.

The Simple Joke

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—I am frankly nauseated by the mean narrow-mindedness of the "British Community" of Shanghai in condemning the recent play "Room for Two."

The play was presented as a farce and was never intended to be taken as a serious representation of life. There are people existing whose mental turpitude is such that the simplest joke or action is accepted in a double sense.

Your recent leading article pained me by its petty carping against a producer and a group of amateur players who for weeks had rehearsed to give Shanghai an amusing play in these times of stress and international worry.

If English Woman's delicate mind is so disturbed by a harmless presentation such as "Room for Two," I suggest that she stay away from future A.D.C. productions in case her puritanical mentality be besmirched.

One of the Players.

Shanghai, Apr. 27.

Conditions in Chile:
How an Error Arose

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—With reference to the article published in the "North-China Daily News" of September 19, 1938, entitled "In the Russian Colony," and under the heading "Conditions in Chile," for which article I saw myself forced to send an immediate and energetic rectification which was published by your paper on September 20, 1938, in the section "Letters to the Editor," I take pleasure in bringing to your attention a letter from Mr. Vadim Strelkov, son of Professor N. A. Strelkov, who was supposed to have stated that "in order to get a visa for Chile the sum of $2,000 must be presented."

I keep Mr. Strelkov's letter at anybody's disposal at this Consulate. Following is the textual content of the above mentioned letter:

E. Vega, Esq.
Consul General for the
Republic of Chile,
Shanghai.

Queule, February 9, 1939.

Sir,

A short time ago we received a letter from a friend in Santiago asking my father, Prof. N. A. Strelkov to explain the origin of the article by an unknown author which appeared in "The North-China Daily News," My father was supposed to have been the source of it. It was to the effect that "...to enter Chile one must pay $1,500—$2,000 Mex. to the Consul of Chile in Shanghai..." One can easily imagine the indignation of my father who had sent absolutely nothing to any newspaper, and especially with such ridiculous and untrue statements as above mentioned.

The only plausible explanation for the appearance of such an absurd article could be as follows: We wrote to a friend in China inviting him to come to help us on our funds. We gave him all the details of what was necessary for coming, including the routine of obtaining a visa, and we stated it was very possible that at the Consulate he would be required to show some proof with regard to financial position so that in case of need he would not be a burden to Chilean Government. Such a thing is only just, and exists as a necessary requirement for the entrance into many countries. My father said that possibly documents showing that the applicant possessed some $1,500—$2,000 might be sufficient. We presume this letter may have been adapted for an article in a Russian newspaper "Zaria" published on 22nd of September 1938 (No. 253) in Harbin, Manchoukuo, with some modifications. The article had a passage which ran as follows: "for obtaining a visae for Chile a sum of $1,500—$2,000 may be sufficient as 'Show' money." Some person with a very poor knowledge of either English or Russian must have translated the above article for "The North-China Daily News" in such an absurd form.

In case there would be necessity of some kind of letter of refutation to "The N.C.D.N." we should be glad to be advised accordingly. As we have not seen the article we are unable to take any steps at present.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
(signed) V. Strelkov

V. Strelkov
Folten (Queule)
Chile, S.A.

E. Vega
Consul-General for Chile.

Shanghai, Apr. 27.

Russo-Asiatic Bank:
Source of Information

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—With reference to the recent inquiry in your correspondence columns in connection with the liquidation of the Russo-Asiatic Bank, I venture as a small depositor there—since nobody else came forward with a reply—to indicate the present status.

The liquidation, as far as the disposal of assets in China is concerned, may be considered as terminated. However, there still is a claim on the part of the liquidation in connection with certain large sums deposited some twenty years ago by the Petrograd Board of Directors with several New York banks. Complicated law suits have arisen in connection with the refund of the said deposits hearings have taken place and appeals have been lodged. The final issue is still wanted.

It stands to reason that it is better to maintain the liquidators' office here with a reasonable chance of obtaining the funds referred to. In such an event a further dividend could be expected. Local charges are very moderate, and under the circumstances the liquidators' office here is well worth maintaining. I think your correspondent could have done better by opening the Telephone Directory, where he would have found that the Russo-Asiatic Bank's liquidation office is situated at No. 59, Hongkong Road (3rd floor); there he undoubtedly could have obtained the information he wants.

The foregoing views are supplied in my private capacity, since I am not holding a brief from any side.

E. Kann.

Shanghai, Apr. 27.

The Cross-word:
An Unfortunate Mistake

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—There is a strained atmosphere about Shanghai this morning. Even on a beautiful morning such as this, the sun does not seem to shine as brightly as it should. In the offices people stand in small groups listlessly, their faces lowering, muttering darkly.

What is the reason? Is it a reflection of the tense European situation? I think not. Is it resentment of the Japanese attitude to the Municipal Council? No. Is it apprehension of the results of the new conscription law being introduced into England? Certainly not. Then what is it?

The crossword puzzle is misprinted again this morning.

Puzzled.

***The editor wishes to express his profound regrets to readers who are incommoded yesterday morning, by the insertion of the wrong block in the cross-word puzzle. It would seem that the printer's devil was completely overcome by the advent of spring.—Ed.

Shanghai, Apr. 27.

Cure for Distress:
Brigade of Local Boys

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—Yesterday, whilst taking the air at the Bund Gardens and watching the efficient work of a Russian (S.V.C.), a thought occurred that the Council could relieve a lot of present distress by organizing a brigade of local boys to augment the Russians—say an international body.

Commercial jobs are now thinning out for local sons of the soil, whose cradle was Hongkew and whose graves will be Hungjao.

Observer.

Shanghai, Apr. 27.

Professor Neisser:
Jew Who became Protestant

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

Sir,—I refer to the question of Interested in your paper of April 25 and would be pleased if you would inform the writer that the famous dermatologist Dr. Albert Neisser of Breslau, whom I had the privilege to know personally, was a Jew by race, although he changed his religion later on and became Protestant.

M. H.

Shanghai, Apr. 27.

The Trams:
Passenger's Complaint

To the Editor of the
"North-China Daily News"

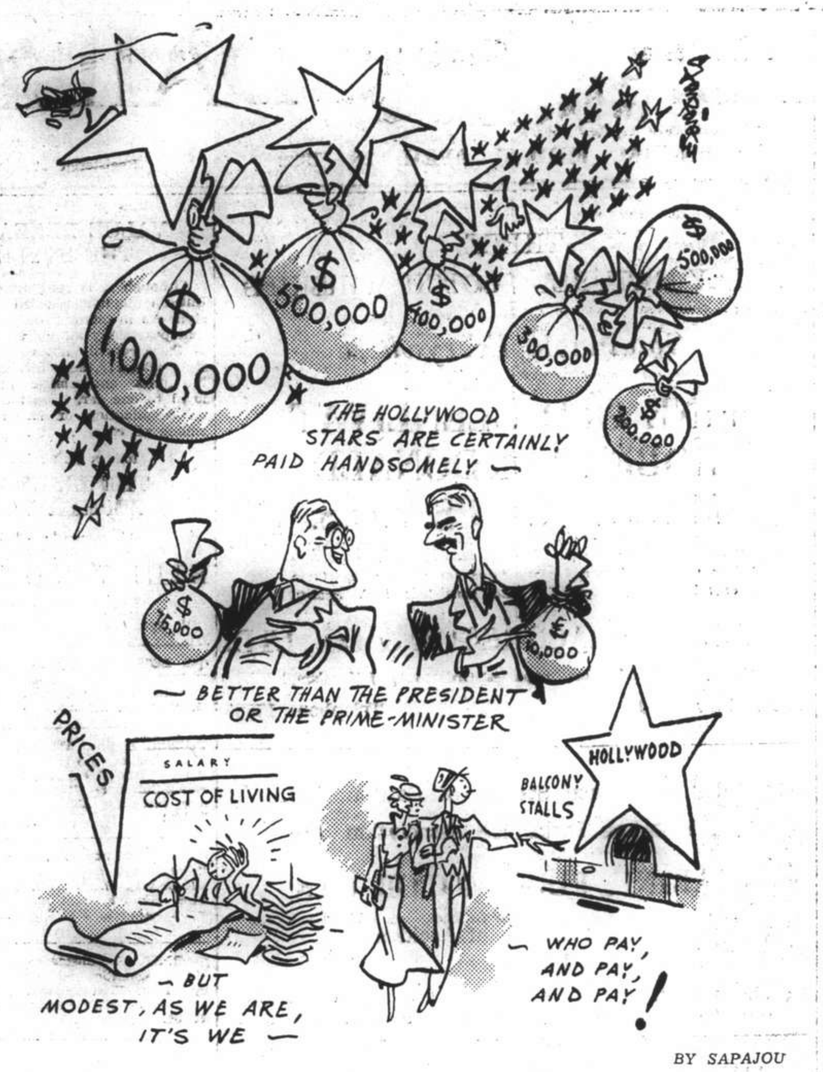
Sir,—I see from today's paper that the tramway company has made a profit of £60,000 for the year 1938. In spite of such a huge profit they have found it impossible to give the public the comforts they are entitled to while riding on their cars. Being a daily user of the cars, to be exact, four times a day, I have yet to find a car whose roof is not leaking during rainy weather.

The constant passing of the ticket-seller from the first compartment to the third for the purpose of collecting ticket fares, leaves the door open, so that there is a constant draft as the exit doors are nearly always open, which in cold weather is rather discomforting and can easily result in a cold. It could easily be avoided by the Company engaging some more ticket-sellers, one for each class, such as is done on the French cars, and it would also eliminate the constant passing of third-class passengers through the first-class, in many instances carrying dirty bundles of all descriptions and brushing past the seated passenger's clothes. As to the conduct of the ticket-sellers I wish to state that in most instances they are convinced that the passengers are there for them, not they for us, and consequently, when you complain to them about anything you are sure to get a fresh answer or none at all.

I have been talking to several foreign inspectors, but they seem to be powerless to do anything, and my impression is that the fault is entirely with the management. It has been my experience that it is useless to complain about the dirty state in which the cars are kept, also the rags the ticket-sellers are clothed in, and certainly the spitting habit is going on as usual — all in all, a wonderful state of affairs.

Compulsory Tramcar Passenger.

Shanghai, Apr. 27.



BY SAPAJOU

Where The Money Comes From

Wedding Celebrations in Iran Ended
Eighty British Sailors, Marine Band, Take Part in Review

Teheran, Apr. 26.

The celebrations in connection with the marriage of the Crown Prince of Iran to Princess Fawzieh of Egypt ended today with a procession to the palace presented to the couple by the Shah of Iran.

The people hung costly rugs from the windows of houses along the route, which were gaily bedecked with flags and flowers.

Eighty officers and men of the British Navy, including the band of the Royal Marines, took part in a review held on the Jejalieh Race Course, where the Shah inspected the troops. Heads of foreign missions witnessed the review, which was preceded by an aerial display.—Reuter.

Seventy Years Ago

From the "North-China Daily News" of April 28, 1869

We learn that the present acting Taotai, Tu, formerly acted in the capacity of Fantai both at Soochow and Nanking at which time he was held in high esteem by both officials and the people, on account of his just dealings. On his introduction to office at Shanghai, both peoples, merchants and foreigners, were gratified. Whatever was necessary to be done, he at once determined upon. In his successful management of the following matter, he has shown himself both ready and competent. The soldiers, 300 in number, on the gunboats at Minghong, having become dissatisfied, determined to make a raid on the defenceless people, who were in a great state of alarm. The Taotai, without any extra show of force or rage, at once proceeded to the scene of disturbance and the difficulties ceased. Moreover, whatever be the character of the business submitted to him, he is both moderate and just in his dealings, treating natives and foreigners alike without partiality—I further all merchants and traders at Shanghai are unanimous in their commendations. With such a man at the head of affairs at Shanghai, we look forward to uninterrupted prosperity in business; and as such is the desire of our August Emperor, is not so great a blessing to be anticipated with joy.

Japanese War Minister Interviews Premier

Tokyo, Apr. 26.

In an interview with Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, the Prime Minister, today at the Premier's official residence, the War Minister, Lt.-Gen. Seishiro Itagaki, exchange views on the European situation on the strength of information received here.—Reuter.

Bridlington coastguards who went to South Landing at Flamborough to claim for the Crown a whale which was reported to have been high and dry for five hours recently were surprised to see it swimming about in deep water watched by a crowd. It went ashore again 200 yards further north. Apparently one of its fins was damaged when it was struggling on the rocks. It has been identified as a type which is very rare in these parts and is believed to be a young one, as it only weighs about 6 tons.

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LONDON

P.M.	METRES	CYCLES
2.30, 3.20, 9.15		
9.45, 12.00	19.76	15.18

Today's BBC Programme

1.00 "Arms and the Man," Comedy
2.20 Old Time Music Hall Songs
2.50 News
3.45 "More Food for Thought," talk
5.00 "Adventures of Alonzo MacTavish," play
5.20 Sports news and markets
8.00 "History of the Jews," talk
8.30 Gold Championship play
9.15 News
9.30 "More Food for Thought," talk
9.45 Sports news and markets
11.00 "The Last Dart," moral fable
12.00 News

PARIS

7.00	19.68	15.24

ROME

5.30, 9.30, 12.00	25.40	11.81
7.00	31.13	9.63

BERLIN

3.00	19.63/16.89	15.28/17.76
8.00, 10.00	31.45/19.63	9.54/15.28

SAN FRANCISCO

8.30, 10.30	31.48	9.53

MANILA

6.30, 11.00	31.35	9.57

MELBOURNE

5.15, 8.30 9.20	31.32	9.58

TOKYO

1.00, 2.00, 3.30		
4.30, 10.00, 11.00	25.42	11.80

HONGKONG

12.30, 2.15, 7.00	31.49	9.52
11.00	31.49	9.52

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5.30	31.49	9.52

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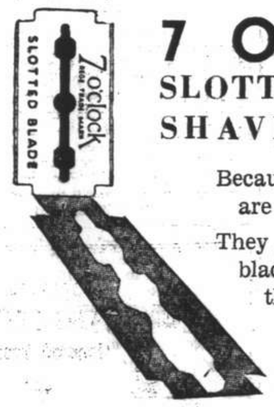

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WOMAN'S PAGE

A Mayfair Notebook

By PHILINE

London, Mar. 31.

What a lot of good things come out of the Royal hothouses at Frogmore. The first home-grown strawberries for the Easter table at Windsor Castle were the latest specialties, and soon Princess Margaret will be eating bananas which are now ripening in clusters on the two banana trees under cultivation at Frogmore.

From the Royal nurseries there arrive daily at Buckingham Palace four choice carnations—two white and two red. They are for the King's buttonholes and the number enables him to change his flower directly it has lost its freshness. He wears the dark red varieties in the daytime and the white in the evening. Other carnations of pastel shades are grown in a special hothouse at Frogmore for use in the decoration of the Palace rooms.

Wistful and Sweet

An innocent baby bonnet in coarse straw is a definite change from funny little hats, and very becoming to a piquant face.

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Royal Photographs

The Queen has added to her private collection a new photograph of her two daughters. Her Majesty was photographed the other day with the Princesses, and the picture will probably be placed in her day cabin in H.M.S. Repulse. The Queen, like many other mothers, has a large collection of photographs of her daughters taken from babyhood upwards. Most of the formal ones have been taken in what is known as the picture room of the Palace, but a few are those which the Queen has happened to see in newspapers and requested that copies be sent to her.

Still more likenesses come from a different source and these are perhaps the best of all. They have been "snapped" by the King and show all the charm of the completely natural pose. For the King has usually managed to catch the little girls unawares, as we know when we see reproductions of these snaps, from time to time, in weekly and monthly publications.

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A Piano for Michael

King Carol of Rumania obviously appreciates our London shops. The Rumanian Legation here receives a telegram from him ordering things, almost every week. A recent order—this one I believe came direct to a London store—was for Brahms's Cantata No. 1 for the piano, which he had heard through a B.B.C. relay.

He is an accomplished pianist and likes to play duets with his son, Prince Michael. Some time ago he bought a piano in London. No sooner had it arrived than he telegraphed again. He wanted a second piano. "For Michael," the telegram said.

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A Comb for a Hatpin

Hats seem to get smaller and smaller, nearer and nearer to the flatness of a pancake, while they are perched upon the head at odder and odder angles. Seeing the latest models, one may well wonder how on earth they are attached to the hair. Very often there is no sign of any back elastic to mar the smooth sweep of the wearer's waves and curls. What, then, is the secret?

These hats have, in fact, an open hole cut out of the very centre of the top of the crown. The clever modern milliner has filled in the hole with a hair-net or crochet veiling and suggests that we run a small-pronged comb through it to make the hat secure at any angle. But the comb must be run in with the curve upwards not downwards. Used in this way it proves much more satisfactory than the old-fashioned hatpin.

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Sign Your Jumper

More dress news from the London shops. On perfectly plain jumpers your Christian name is embroidered in your own handwriting. The writing curves across the front from shoulder to shoulder, so that it looks like a decorative edging to the yoke. A simple idea which can be carried out quite easily by the home dressmaker.

Just write your name in large letters and trace it on to tissue paper folded several times. Tack the tissue to the jumper and outline the name in tacking thread right through the tissue paper and jumper. Tear away the flimsy paper and embroider over the traced name. The result of either white embroidery of this kind on a thin, dark-coloured jumper, or dark on a light-coloured jumper is most effective.

Luncheon Outfits

Striking outfits for luncheon parties seen in New York. Sky blue ribbed woollen is used for the jacket of the black wool dress. At the right white eyelet embroidered ruffles show in the skirt of the blue redingote.

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Trim with Ribbon

One of the neatest home-made trimmings I have seen for some time decorated the neckline of a simple Parma mauve afternoon frock. But it would look well on almost any kind of frock of soft material, cut with a high neck. The trimming was formed of strips of about four inch long petersham ribbon which lay round the neckline likes the spokes of a wheel. Each ribbon "spoke" was sewn to the neck edge about one inch apart.

The ribbons in question were various and carefully chosen orchid shades and a novel effect was gained by the fact that instead of being turned in to the neck, the ends of each "spoke" turned were tightly rolled before being sewn into position. This gave outward a firm as well as a highly decorative edge to the frock.

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Breakfast with a Difference

Breakfast is very often a rushed meal, but all the same there are few men, women or children who do not like a change of breakfast food once in a while. And, however rushed they are, they will find time to enjoy it. What kind of a change you ask? Well, an apple and celery dish for instance.

Peel and chop an apple, mix it with some chopped celery, and a table spoonful of grated cheese and a few drops of lemon juice. Sprinkle with salt, or with sugar, according to taste. Serve on little glass plates, with or without a crisp lettuce leaf under each portion.

Asparagus au gratin is another excellent breakfast dish. Heat and season some ready cooked sticks of asparagus. Keep hot in a fireproof glass dish or casserole. Melt about a quarter of an ounce of butter and to this add half an ounce of grated cheese. Spread the butter and cheese mixture over the asparagus, set to brown for a few minutes under the grill and serve at once.

Paris Dressmakers Show In London

Special "Numbers" Adapted to English Taste

Among the last of the dress parades to be put on in London are those of French houses with branches in Mayfair or English houses which include with their own part of a Paris collection. The former differ considerably from the parades in Paris; not only are fewer dresses shown, since there are only private customers to be considered, but also the wise creators add certain numbers for English life.

Far more little suits are needed for British customers and also far more dresses of ceremony, from Court to Ascot models, through ball gowns to reception dresses.

Most of the great creators with London houses use their entrance halls to indicate the colours or the fantasies of the season.

You enter Schiaparelli's and are met by her "winking stars," her "shocking" hearts with the dagger in them, and by her colours of "honey," "wet moss," "parrot's wing," "evening sky pink."

In Molyneux's foyer is a vast open basket filled with the sprays of apple blossom which appear in the collection as daytime buttonholes and evening nosegays.

In Paquin's beautiful entrance are enormous bows of the four leading colours of the season—cyclamen pink, parrot green, lime yellow, and violet.

The collection at once makes plain the position of shoulders today: that they slope for evening wear but are well squared for the day. While dresses are fitted, flared, and exceedingly young in line, even to pinafore type, coats are cleanly cut on beltless lines that flare from the waist, often in the same print as the dress.

The Bustle

Paquin's evening line for London is the bell-widened skirt with the tiny body, transparent enough to show a definitely shorter and tight underskirt. This is not aimed at indicating the coming of shorter evening skirts but as giving a cleaner evening skirt line.

As well there are indications of the bustle which other houses are using, sometimes in the box-pleating of a taffeta jacket, sometimes in the spiral drapery of a dress itself.

A Court gown has lovely embroidery of cut-out oak-leaves worked minutely with glimmering silver and mother-of-pearl, each little leaf in the long lines down the white jersey dress mounted on a silver ball to add to the effect of liveliness and movement.

Greys and Blues

Molyneux has also *nacré* leaf embroidery in one of his long slim high-waisted dresses inspired by the pictures which David painted and which Paris-finished débutantes have been led to see in the Louvre.

The most feminine greys for evening, starred with diamanté, are only rivalled by utterly feminine blues.

The Directoire evening coats are something quite new, something, too, to be welcomed in a world of fashion where it has for long been difficult to distinguish between the house coat and the formal evening wrap. They are very high-waisted, cling to the front of the figures, but swing away in pleats high up at the centre back.

Boleros for evening are hardly more than bust length, but are made very easy to wear by the addition of scarf ends hanging to the ground. Even the white ermine capes are worked on Directoire lines with stole ends.

But by day the idea of Josephine and her contemporaries is swept away. The suits, dresses, and coats are practical, neat and workmanlike in construction.

Deep corselet belts, however, some of which are quite separate, give the Molyneux a high-bust waistline. A navy skirt worn with a tailored white blouse has, for example, a corselet straight belt with four buttons to fasten it, the lower half navy, the top white.

The bottle or spruce green called "vert marine" figures frequently with fine lingerie touches; honey colour from palest caramel shades to tan runs it close.

For Young Girls

But though these clothes are very young in cut, the young girls now have their own departments with clothes designed for 18 to 20 year-olds.

The amount of blue which girls choose is remarkable. You see the assistants, after the show, carrying bolts of navy woollens over to the windows to get the exact shades, others with arms full of powder-blue pailletted lace and mist-blue chiffons.

"Azure" was a model constantly ordered during the showing of this fresh and gay collection, a flared beltless coat, as most of them are, worn over a matching princess dress with pocket interest.

The navy mode chosen had built-up skirtlines in front and bolero jackets over gay little blouses. But even when a brief hip-length suit was chosen, generally in a bright navy, the blouse and gloves were bought in pale blue.

Hooped Skirts

For evening the girls pick the romantically wide-skirted dresses, all mounted over stiffened petticoats.

A hoop-skirted blue organza with bands of white lace and embroidery and the smallest of waistlines had a circular cape to match, covering the arms and hooded, as well as banded in white embroidery.

A deep blue moiré had 12 to 16 rows of minute Val frillings on the bodice and banding the wide outstanding skirt.

In the daytime many of the smartest formal dresses are in linens, often embroidered, and linen is used for informal dinner dresses.

The Brontes as Governesses

"Unfortunate Ladies" Who Employed Them

The Brontës as governesses was the subject dealt with by Lady Wilson, of Eshton Hall, near Gargrave, when she addressed the members of the Brontë Society at their annual meeting at Ilkley last month.

"I cannot help feeling at times a grain of pity for those unfortunate ladies who chartered a Brontë for service in their schoolrooms," said Lady Wilson.

"They cannot all have been the super-fiends they are depicted, and the Brontës must have been little cattle to handle. Always trailing their threadbare but neatly darned cloaks in quest of real or fancied insults; out of sympathy with their charges; devoid or almost devoid of the saving grace of humour; and filled with a nostalgic desire for their own home, they must surely have been a severe trial to their employers.

"The more I study Charlote Brontë as a governess, the more I realize that I would have hated her to fill the rôle in my own household. In spite of her unflinching sense of justice, her high ideals, her deep spirituality and her beautiful-trained mind, I should not have placed her willingly in my schoolroom. A great teacher she has now become, we grown-ups learn our own lessons from her life and her letters, but whilst she wrestled here below against adverse circumstances she must have presented a complex problem to all who came in contact with her as a stranger and sojourner in their midst."

All "Bad Mixers"

The sisters, Lady Wilson continued, were all "mad mixers"; there was an east-windish asperity in Charlotte's manner; Emily's mind was sombre, Anne's was low-toned. All three seemed to reflect the moods of Haworth weather—its winds and its rains; the bleakness and the blackness did not count for them. Isolation was not a werewolf ready to scare them on their path but a familiar spirit shadowing their footsteps, guarding them indeed as faithfully as did Emily's dog, Keeper. It was not the absence of human beings but their presence which irked the sisters. They had to leave this part of the country, which they loved, and make a brave attempt to earn their living in a profession which was abhorrent to them.

Lady Wilson described "Jane Eyre" as a charter of hope for governesses, a badge of courage, a healing balm for all the ills they suffered. The governess of 100 years ago was not expected to possess any qualifications other than patience. She need not be diplomaed, erudite, or talented, but she must be genteel, and the vicarages of the British Isles provided an inexhaustible supply of the desired commodity. The governess period in the lives of the Brontë sisters dated from 1835 to 1844. Charlotte was 19 at the time she returned to Miss Wooler's school at Roe Head to become a teacher there. Even at this period she was surprisingly indifferent to the charms of childhood.

Anne Brontë was the only member of the family who scored a success in the teaching profession. Far less intellectual and rigidly prejudiced than her sisters, better supplied with the milk of human kindness, she was genuinely desirous of winning the love of her pupils.

Glass Stoppers

Fitted With Corks

Most of us possess an old assortment of old glass stoppers which may be delightful to look at and to handle but for which we have not any decanters or bottles with necks of the right size. Similarly we have the glass bottles without corresponding stoppers. Even if these are not decanters proper they may be charmingly shaped or of attractive glass, having at one time contained something in the store cupboard which is now used up, and while we should like to make some use of these "empties," which are too narrow in the neck to serve as flower vases, we dislike the look of them at table with corks stuck in the top.

A clever idea, noted recently in the window of a shop for antiques, is to fit corks on to the lower parts of good stoppers, first seeing to it that the corks fits the bottle to be served. Naturally each stopper fitted in this way must be too small for the bottle-neck when used by itself. A little examination will be required in the matching of bottle and stopper. Then a nice fresh cork is selected and a round cavity dug out from one of its ends as neatly as possible to the correct depth with a sharp, pointed knife. A little glue or adhesive for mending china is poured into the cavity and painted round its wall, the stopper is driven firmly home, and any spaces left at the top and sides are filled in with particles of cork or sawdust, after which the whole is left to dry and thoroughly harden before use. The result, which should be strong enough for all practical purposes, gives a stout cork for the neck of the bottle with the lower part of the ornamental stopper concealed in the cork while the upper part is on view and pleasant to handle.

Washing An Eiderdown

A Safe Method

Down quilts which look soiled after the winter's wear and those that have been in use in sickrooms should be dry-cleaned or washed as soon as they can be spared. Delicate or elaborate quilts should be dry-cleaned, but plainer ones, if their covers are strong, may be washed successfully at home.

Outdoor drying is best, so it is worth while to wait for a suitable day with a good drying wind. To save time on the washing-day a few preparations may be made beforehand. Soap flakes or a good soap jelly should be in readiness. The quilt should be brushed and shaken to remove loose dust, and four or five tabs of strong cotton material or wide tape should be stitched to its edge at each side. By these tabs the quilt may be pegged to the line. Pegs should not be used on the cover itself for they are apt to mark it.

The actual washing should be done as follows: First soak the quilt for half an hour in cold salted water to prevent the colours from running. Then squeeze it by hand, place it in warm, soapy water, and work it gently up and down without rubbing it. Renew the soapy water from time to time until the quilt is clean. Rinse it several times in warm water, and then in cold water to which a little ammonia has been added. Squeeze it carefully by hand. Shake it well before pegging it to the line by the cotton tabs. Reverse it from time to time to ensure even drying, and shake it frequently to loosen the down inside the cover.

When the quilt is almost dry lay a cloth over it and smooth the cover with a fairly hot iron. Beat the back of the cover with a light cane when it is dry to fluff up the down. Unpick the tabs, and the quilt will be ready to use again or to store away.

Remember May 20!

The Ministering Children's League Bazaar

There is no question about it that the children are really working hard this year to make the Ministering Children's League Bazaar at the Race Course on May 20 a big success. There is tremendous activity and interest being shown on all sides—some of the schools, for instance, are not only having a stall at the Bazaar, but are also giving an entertainment in order to increase the total of funds raised.

The Public and Thomas Hanbury School for Girls staged a show last Thursday and Friday, the proceeds of which are to go to the League. They are also having a stall at the Bazaar. The Yu Yuen Road Public School for Girls are having an entertainment on May 17. Brownies and Guides are hard at it, and the American School is busy collecting luscious recipes to use at their Ice Cream Stall. So put a cross against May 20 on your calendar—you will have a happy day and have spent your money where it will do most good. And what could be fairer than that?

S. W. A.

The Annual General Meeting of the Scandinavian Women's Association will take place on Thursday, May 4, at 4 p.m. in the Cercle Sportif Français. Members who are willing to serve on the new committee are requested to send in their names to the secretary, Mr. P. H. L. Christensen, 528/71 Avenue Petain, as soon as possible.

After the business meeting Mr. E. Schwarz will lecture on and demonstrate his system of modern physical culture.

Addressing a Queen

Mr. Choate, a former American Ambassador to England, was being instructed by the Embassy staff in Court deportment. He replied simply that he knew quite well how to behave.

When presented he went up to the Queen and said: "How do you do. Queen Victoria."

The Queen burst out laughing, saying: "Do you know I've never been called that before—though I suppose it is my name."

Mr. Choate had a ready wit. A guest at a party, taking him for a servant, said: "Call me a cab."

"You're a cab," said Mr. Choate. An explosion followed and after that an abject apology when the man discovered his mistake.

"Oh, my dear fellow," said Mr. Choate. "Think no more about it. If you had been a little less peremptory I should have called you a hansom cab."

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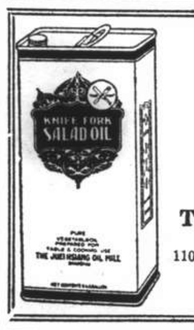
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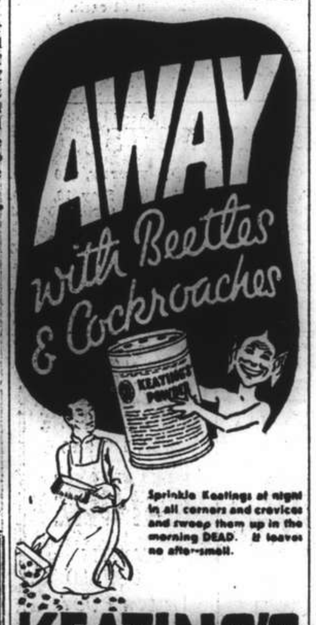

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Lord Rosebery's Blue Peter Seen as Derby Winner

Comfortable Victory in Two Thousand Guineas Shortens Odds; Large Crowd at Newmarket

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Newmarket, Apr. 26.

THE Derby favourite, Lord Rosebery's Blue Peter, starting at 5-1, won the Two Thousand Guineas, the season's first turf classic, here today, beating Sir John Jarvis's Admiral's Walk, starting at 100-7, by a length. Sir Abe Bailey's Fairstone, at 13-2, came in third, three-quarters of a length behind Admiral's Walk. The winner's time was one minute and forty seconds. Blue Peter's comfortable victory convinced race-goers that they had seen the Derby winner. The weather was fine, and large crowds attended the race, while the going was slightly firm.

Blue Peter, Romeo and Rogerstone Castle led off from a good start.

Dispenser, however, failed to maintain the fast pace, and dropped back, leaving Blue Peter to take the lead at the halfway post.

Always going strongly, Blue Peter leaped ahead, closely followed by Fairstone, His Highness, Diadoque, Admiral's Walk and Hypnotist.

Romeo began to lose ground going into the dip, with Blue Peter in the lead, and Fairstone, Diadoque and Admiral's Walk challenging strongly.

Blue Peter's Superiority

Blue Peter demonstrated his superiority, when he started to climb the last incline.

Admiral's Walk and Fairstone were at Blue Peter's girths halfway up the hill, but Blue Peter ran on strongly, and won the race.

Romeo came in fourth, and Diadoque fifth, with Hypnotist sixth, Rogerstone Castle seventh, à Tout Maitre eighth, Casanova ninth and Ramboda tenth.

Blue Peter started joint favourite with the Aga Khan's Dhoti.

Mrs. Dorothy Thomas sold her half-share in Rogerstone Castle, which started at 10-1, to a Frenchman, M. Marcel Boussac, just before the race. —Reuter.

Strong Favourite

Newmarket, Apr. 26.

After winning the Two Thousand uineas here today, 7-2 was taken and offered on Blue Peter for the Derby.—Reuter.

S.R.C. Spring Race Meeting Near

298 Ponies Entered by 110 Stables; Excellent Prospects Seen

By "CHING"

Entries for the S.R.C. Spring Race Meeting to take place during the first half of next month closed on Wednesday, and proved to be most satisfactory in every respect. Given fine weather, the meeting promises to be a most successful one, with a bumper attendance of spectators, and a return to the Club that may be more on the lines of a few years back than they have had lately.

Entries for many of the races are very large, opening up prospects of many having to be run in sections; however, this is a contingency that need not be discussed today. There are 110 stables entered, having between them 298 ponies, of which 91 are I.R.C. owned.

Entrance fees come to the handsome total of $13,375, and as three of the races are practically post entries, another $2,000 at least will be added to this amount. The Club during the five days are giving away in stakes to the successful owners $60,550. With the entries for the two Derbys now known, a few words on the subject of these two classic races may not be premature.

The Sub Derby

The 1939 subs are to compete for their Derby on the first day of the meeting, and seventeen of them have been entered, including Loch Maree, Second Thoughts, Spring Tide, Andy, Lore Fels, and Special Delivery. At the moment I think the winner will be one or other of these six.

Loch Maree started off the season well in winning the only two races he has started in. In the one at 11 furlongs he had Lore Fels, Spring Tide, and other good ones behind him. This was on March 18, since when has not started, having to miss the two big sub races at Easter. If he comes out fit and well he will be hard to beat, though Lore Fels on his public form may be equal to doing so.

Andy has won three races on heavy going, but this does not mean, he will not be able to repeat his successes on a dry and fast track. Also Spring Tide and Second Thoughts, must be considered, as well as Special Delivery. Thus there is a prospect of this Sub Derby proving a very fine and interesting race.

The Derby

The Derby to be run on the second day of the meeting is confined to griffins which are the property of S.R.C. members. Thirty ponies have entered divided up between twenty stables, two of which, "Cire" and "Henchman," have three each.

This year, griffins have been allowed to race from the early part of the season, instead of as in former seasons, being held over to break their griffin-hood at the Spring Meeting. This has added interest to this season's Derby, as it also has to all other griffin races during the half year.

Amongst the thirty ponies entered, about half as yet have not started in a race, and whilst doubtless there are some good ones amongst them, at the moment I cannot point to one likely to lower the colours of all the ones that have started including Hindhead, Columbus, and Joylight, to mention three only.

Teeing Off Times at Seekingjao

Cholera Passes Needed by Golfers This Week-end

The attention of Shanghai Golf Club members is being drawn to the ruling regarding cholera passes needed when crossing the creek to Hongkew en route to Seekingjao.

SATURDAY

1.04	Meyerink, Willson/Jones, Parry
1.24	Neumann, Kelen
1.32	MacFarlane, MacFarlane
1.36	Piper, Smith/Lewis, Bell
1.48	Cizek, Russell/Munn, Walker
1.56	Openshaw, Kench/King, Grieve
2.08	Clark, Brown (4 Ball)
2.12	Breen, Burnett (4 Ball)
2.16	Gavin, Berry (4 Ball)
2.24	Farnham, DeFremery
2.28	Sephiere, Marken (4 Ball)
2.32	Germ, Carson/Cameron, Smith
2.44	Brown, Mrs. Brown
2.48	Way, Mrs. Way
2.52	Harper, Mrs. Harper

SUNDAY

8.36	Kwilecki, Marks
8.56	Neumann, Ashworth
9.04	Hartnett, Rogers
9.12	Cizek, MacFarlane
9.24	Sephiere, Grubb/Ramplin, Kench
9.32	Cameron, Germ/Willson, Davies
9.44	Meyerink, Morrison
9.48	Russell, Barry
9.56	Wentworth, Farnsworth
10.04	Harper, Mrs. Harper
10.08	Brister, Mrs. Germ
10.12	Mrs. Gordon, Partner
10.24	Openshaw, Ball
10.28	Drysdale, Openshaw
11.04	Ross, Smith
1.04	Dwyer, Carson (4 Ball)
2.32	King, Sawyer

May Monthly Cup

The May Monthly Cup will be played for on Saturday and Sunday May 6 and 7 at Seekingjao over eighteen holes. The "A" Class competition will include players from scratch to a handicap of twelve while the "B" Class will include players with handicaps between thirteen and 24.

Domaha with Hot Bun

Domaha, the unsuccessful favourite in the Lincolnshire, ridden by Gordon Richards, the champion jockey, in a sprint with Hot Bun.

Cubs Optimistic With Success

Pitching Staff Stronger Than Anticipated; More Home Runs by Greenberg

New York, Apr. 27.

The Chicago Cubs moved into Cincinnati today for their first series with the team that seems most likely to threaten their National League baseball supremacy.

Clay Bryant, the No. 2 starting hurler on the Cubs mound staff, was expected to pitch the first game against the Reds, opposing either Johnny Vander Meer or Paul Derringer.

Things looked bright for Gabby Hartnett, the amiable, chunky Chicago manager, because pre-season fears that he would have to struggle along without enough good starting pitchers appeared to have been dispelled this week as the Cubs swept a three-game series with the Pirates.

The veteran Earl Whitehill came through last Monday to prove himself an effective southpay starter, and yesterday the rookie Gene Lillard proved himself worthy of major league competition.

Lillard is a former infielder who became a pitcher and won 16 games and lost 10 for the Los Angeles in the Pacific Coast League last season.

He pitched all the way yesterday as the Cubs defeated Pittsburgh, 3-1. Lillard struck out five batters and yielded only eight scattered hits.

The Cubs scored all their runs in the fifth innings. Two of them were driven in by second baseman Billy Herman, who singled with the bases loaded.

The Reds lost to the St. Louis Cardinals, 1-0. Curt Davis held the Reds to five scattered safeties. The game's only run was scored in the fourth, innings, when Terry Moore walked, advanced to third on Bill Myer's single and scored on Davis' single.

Both the other National League games were rained out.

A tenth innings single by Billy "Fire Chief" Rogell gave the Detroit Tigers a 7-6 victory over St. Louis in the American League.

Bill Dietrich's pitching gave the Chicago White Sox a 5-1 victory over the Indians in Cleveland. Dietrich was invincible until the ninth innings when Frank Pytlak touched him for a single and scored Cleveland's only run on a double by Jim Shilling.

The Washington-Boston and Philadelphia-New York games were rained out.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis *	6	15	1
Detroit	7	12	0
Batteries: Newsom, Walkup and Sullivan; Kennedy, Coffman, Harris and Tebbetts.			
Chicago	5	9	0
Cleveland	1	3	1
Batteries: Dietrich and Silvestri; Broaca, Dobson, Humphries and Pytlak.			
New York-Philadelphia; Boston Washington—rained out.			

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Pittsburgh	1	8	0
Chicago	3	7	0
Batteries: Blanton, Brown, Bowman, Berres and Mueller; Lillard, and Mancuso.			
Cincinati	0	5	0
St. Louis	1	6	0
Batteries: Grissom, R. Davis, Thompson and Lombardi; C. Davis and Owen.			
Boston-Brooklyn; New York-Philadelphia—rained out.			

*—Ten Innings.

Standings

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
New York	5	1	.833
Detroit	5	3	.625
Cleveland	3	3	.500
Boston	3	3	.500
Chicago	3	4	.429
St. Louis	2	3	.400
Philadelphia	2	4	.333
Washington	2	4	.333

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Chicago	5	1	.833
Philadelphia	4	2	.667
Cincinnati	3	2	.600
Boston	4	3	.571
St. Louis	3	3	.500
New York	3	4	.429
Brooklyn	2	4	.333
Pittsburgh	1	6	.143

—United Press.

Gert Eng to Show Boxing Merits In Clash with Manchu Champion

Swedish Newcomer Expected to Prove Draw For Attractive Auditorium Card

BRINGING into the Shanghai fistic limelight a well-balanced collection of talented newcomers and established favourites, tomorrow's boxing programme at the Auditorium presents a particularly appetizing ten-round main event in the light-heavyweight clash between Gert Eng, a fresh arrival from Gothenberg, Sweden, and Nicki Wan, cruiserweight champion of Manchuria, a youthful Chinese with a considerable following as a result of his victory and draw in his two starts with the steel-plated American Marine, Leo Kubiak.

In his final workouts yesterday Eng, who was amateur middleweight champion of Sweden in 1937 and 1938, indicated that if he can reproduce the same form in the ring against Wan, the Manchurian is more than likely to know that he has been in a fight before the clash is over. The flaxen-haired Scandinavian is in the pink of condition and is quite confident of achieving success via the knock-out route. He terminated his training yesterday by going eight three-minute rounds on the heavy bags and the way in which he was sinking both fists up to his wrists indicates that trouble is in the offing for Wan. Eng finished his exercises with a little shadow boxing and calisthenics and was as fresh as paint.

He is very shifty on his feet and his left appears particularly effective. He is powerfully built and his opponent, quick as he is, may find trouble in penetrating what seems to be an air-tight defence.

Wan is on the short end of the odds, it being held that the slightly older and more experienced Eng will be too formidable for the willing and aggressive Harbin youth. But Wan, as he so forcibly demonstrated against Kubiak in their first meeting after the Marine had floored him twice, is a great up-hill fighter and he may prove that youth will not be denied.

Another Tough Couple

Another hard-fought contest is confidently anticipated in the eight-round semi-final between Tony Livingston and Tiger Usoff, the local Russian cruiserweight who has claimed so many Marine scalps. Livingston, the Marines' new threat for the light-heavyweight crown now reposing on the curly head of Ubaldo Giometti, is reckoned a certainty to win by a knock-out in knowing circles, and there is no gainsaying the fact that in his gymnasium work he has proved to be one of the hardest hitters at his weight seen in Shanghai for many a long day. He has been fighting for nine years and during that time has fought men of the calibre of Solly Krieger, recognized middle-weight title holder of the world. Livingston finished his training yesterday and from the manner in which he was disporting himself in light work, will make the fight a short one if he sees an opening in Usoff's defence early on. The Russian, however, is known for his ability to absorb terrible punishment, and he may be able to wear the American down, but after having seen the Marine in action—gym action, it is true—it will cause a surprise if Livingston does not succeed by a knock-out.

"Jolting Jews" to Show Merits

Boris Zatz, popularly known as the "Jolting Jew" for his peculiar ring tactics, has been substituted for Ballinger, rugged Marine middleweight, as Private Chezimission's opponent in the six-round special event, another bout which should produce a great deal of interest, while Nicky Neuklis, clever Marine welter will take on Private Kuznetsoff of the Russian Regiment in another six-rounder that should have the crowd on its feet before the final bell rings. The Russian has a terrific punch and is able to take punishment, as he exhibited in last fight with his Italian opponent, but the American is as game as they make them and will be all out to win.

In the two four-round events, Pepper Woods of the U.S.S. Marblehead tangles with Private Meleshkin of the Russian Regiment while Young George, rapidly improving Russian lightweight will endeavour to continue his winning spell by taking the measure of Johnny Rearick, a newcomer from the Marines.

Two Wrestling Contests

In addition to the six boxing events two wrestling contests will be staged, Gerber of the U.S.S. Marblehead taking on Yerotsky of the Russian Regiment and Markoff meeting Savastian of the same outfit.

By permission of Colonel J. C. Fegan and officers, the Regimental Band of the Fourth United States Marines will play during intervals. Bookings for the programme may be made at Messrs. Squires, Bingham & Co. between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. and thereafter until 10 p.m. at the Auditorium box office.

Football Season Not Quite Dead

Seaforths Succumb to Lido in "Small Ball" Conflict

The Lido Recreation Association, winners of the Skottowe Cup, met the Seaforth Highlanders, S.F.A. League champions, in a "small ball" football game at Aurora University yesterday afternoon in which the Cup holders displayed far better co-ordination and emerged on the long end of a 7-1 score.

Two more encounters were also played off. In one game the Shanghai radio singers trounced the radio commedians by 6-1 while in the other tussle Aurora University trimmed the French Forces, victors of the Tsz Ling Cup, by an odd goal.

The programme was arranged in conjunction with the 36th Anniversary Celebration of the University and the whole proceeds derived from the gate were turned over for the benefit of the Sacred Hearts Hospital. A crowd of over 1,500 filled the four sides of the athletic grounds to see the city's two leading football teams in action.

The starting teams were:—

Lido:—T. Y. Chen (G), N. L. Meng (RB), K. L. Yang (LB), K. S. Suen (CH), M. S. Cnang (RF), N. Z. Lee (CF), Z. Kiang (LF).

Seaforths:—Atkinson (G), Cheney (RB), Campbell (LF), Smellie (CH), Duncan (RF), Fraser (CF), Aitkin (LF).

Over the Cross-bar

Lido took the offensive from the kick-off. Lee directed two shots which sailed over the cross-bar. The Seaforths had difficulty to settle down as they could not control the ball. The soldiers' defence put up a stubborn fight to keep the goal intact until the 23rd minute when Chang cut in to beat Atkinson with a well-placed shot.

A few minutes later Aitkin nearly equalized as his shot skinned over the bar. Lee netted Lido's second goal in the 31st minute following a melee. The scorer received a pass from Kiang and fired for the goal-keeper to effect a partial clearance. A scrimmage took place which ended with Lee driving against the inside of the post for a 2-0 lead.

Upon the resumption both sides made changes. Spiers took the place of Aitkin, playing centre-half and Smellie moved up to centre-forward. Shah replaced Kiang as left forward. He proved his worth by scoring a pretty goal before the second half was one minute old.

The Seaforths became desperate and gave all they had in the attack. Spiers almost broke the egg as his shot hit the cross bar.

Chang put Lido four goals ahead in the 8th minute after receiving help from Shah. Twelve minutes later the latter tallied through his own efforts by eluding Cheney and using clever footwork.

Seaforths' Threat Removed

Smellie missed two golden opportunities at the other end of the field. Spiers drove out from Fraser's corner kick. Having removed the threat the Chinese forwards again showed skill and in the 28th minute Chang increased the lead to 6-0 on a solo effort, wending his way through to beat the helpless Atkinson.

Fraser had the misfortune of missing a sure goal by a few inches. The Scotsmen were seen rallying strongly by keeping ball constantly in Lido's half. Fraser crossed over a lovely centre to find Smellie unmarked. The centre-forward made no mistake to convert, with nine more minutes to go.

Two minutes later Shah put Lee "on the spot." The crack centre-forward outwitted Campbell to score the last goal. In the 42nd minute Shah was being pulled to the ground by Atkinson and a penalty was awarded in Lido's favour. But Suen shot weakly for the Scottish keeper to save at the expense of an abortive corner.

French Army Defeated

Bigel, right-forward, scored the winning shot for Aurora University five minutes after the start. The collegians had a stronger defence, especially in Goalkeeper Wolfin, who saved a number of difficult shots.

Play was scrappy as both teams were unable to find their stride. The winners had most of the play in the first half. After the interval the French soldiers became more active Lack of finish held the score down Towards the end the university team again stood out but the forwards failed to live up to expectations.

The two teams were:—

Aurora:—Wolfin (G), Walther (RB), L. S. Tsai (LB), Z. H. Wang (CH), Bigel (RF), S. S. Chang (CF), C. B. Ling (LF).

French Forces:—Setti (G), Jacques (RB), Roussel (LB), Ninu (CH), Heloyan (RF), Calard (CF), Niiholai (LF).

English Amateur Golf Championship

Pennink, Banks, Crawley All Advance

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Southport, Apr. 26.

The holder for the last two years, J. J. Pennink, last year's runner-up, S. E. Banks, and the former holders, Leonard Crawley and Stanley Lunt, entered the fourth round of the English Amateur Golf Championship here today. Lunt will meet Crawley tomorrow. Kenneth Thom, 16-year-old Essex player, also entered the fourth round, beating K. T. Gordon by five and three. C. S. Mole, of Calcot, beat Caville by five and four. —Reuter.

Outfielder in Hospital

New York, Apr. 25.

Outfielder Al Simmons of the Boston Bees remained in a New York hospital overnight for observation after being struck on the head by one of Van Mungo's pitches during a game with Brooklyn. An X-ray revealed no fracture.—United Press.

Home Soccer Results

London, Apr. 26.

Following are the results of League home soccer matches played today:

ENGLISH LEAGUE, 1ST DIVISION

Birmingham 1, Chelsea 1
Bolton Wanderers 0, Preston North End 2

ENGLISH LEAGUE, 2ND DIVISION

Manchester City 1, Sheffield Wednesday 1
Sheffield United 0, Blackburn Rovers 0

ENGLISH LEAGUE, 3RD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Brighton and H. A. 0, Watford 0
Ipswich Town 7, Aldershot 2

ENGLISH LEAGUE, 3RD DIVISION (NORTH)

Chester 2, Southport 0

SCOTTISH LEAGUE, 1ST DIVISION

Heart of Midlothian 2, Clyde 0

—Reuter.

Great Fullback Offered Job as Coach

Pittsburgh, Apr. 25.

All-American fullback Marshall Goldberg of Pittsburgh was offered a job as backfield coach at Long Island University when that school inaugurates football as an intercollegiate sport.—United Press.

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Squash Champions In the Balance

Rowing Club Champion to Meet Wade; Persistency of Morris Dangerous

Two semi-finals in the squash rackets championships will be played off tonight, one in the senior category and the other in the junior. Outstanding in interest will be the meeting of L. H. Wade and G. W. Morris. They will play to decide who will enter the final of the senior tournament, to play E. B. Cumine who drew a bye after he had beaten H. G. Fabian in the second round. The match between Wade and Morris is set for 5.45 p.m. this evening at the Race Club.

The other semi-final is in the junior championship where T. E. Baker will meet W. R. McCutcheon at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. courts this evening. The winner of this semi-final will enter the final there to meet G. Beckerman who has already qualified as a result of his victory over R. Dickinson in the second round of that tournament.

It is anticipated the finals of the two championships will be played off sometime next week as the weather is turning warmer rapidly and already squash players are finding the excessive heat more than a handicap to strenuous squash.

Wade Beats Pote-Hunt

Of the matches in the second round, that between L. H. Wade and J. Pote-Hunt produced some exciting play, with the former taking the first two in easy style, and Pote-Hunt making a good recovery to take the third and fourth only to lose the fifth and deciding one. Wade was at his best in the first two, his cross court shots off the walls coming off to good effect, whereas Pote-Hunt was unable to execute his drop shots. The eventual loser made a good showing in the third game which he took 9-6, and the manner in which he won the fourth at 9-8 was impressive, but Wade played up very strongly to take the fifth at 9-5. The final score was 9-4, 9-4, 0-9, 6-9, 9-5 in Wade's favour.

In the junior category, two interesting matches were played off in the second round, W. R. McCutcheon beating A. C. Sinclair by 6-9, 7-9, 9-6, 9-7, 9-1 on the Race Club courts. McCutcheon was unable to get going in the first two games and Sinclair was in good fettle, but the eventual winner went ahead thereafter, and won three games in a row, but not without a considerable amount of opposition from the loser who put up a very strenuous fight.

The other match in the junior championship that provided interest was that between G. Beckerman and R. Dickinson, the former winning in four games. The match was played at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. courts and Beckerman played a very sound and polished game. Dickinson, who had not appeared in competition this season showed that he is a vastly improved player and took the first game at 7-9, but the Y.M.C.A. player was able to take the next three games. The final score in this contest was 7-9, 9-6, 9-5, 9-4 in favour of Beckerman.

Crucial Matches Tonight

Tonight's matches will both provide considerable interest. In view of Morris' victory over D. Green, the former is favoured to produce some very good play. He has further enhanced his reputation by winning the senior championship of the Rowing Club where he defeated S. Godkin in the final on Wednesday night. He is a very steady player and is able to retrieve almost any shot that is played. Wade is a mercurial player, who has been known to rise to great heights in his day. He has a wealth of shots and is a more polished player than Morris, but will find that Morris' tenacity will be difficult to overcome. The match should go to five games and will doubtless provide the gallery with some interesting play.

In the junior championship, W. R. McCutcheon has been favoured to win for some time and many think he is equal to some of the best in the senior championship. Nevertheless he has not won his earlier matches without a struggle and Baker is a stylist who has come on with leaps and bounds from the earlier part of the season. The latter has played in the second league for the Foreign Y.M.C.A. and should be able to do good things. It would be difficult to predict that winner, although many still favour McCutcheon.

Canidrome Results

1—440 yd. flat.—1, Skedaddle; 2, Dinna Keu.
Also ran:—Double Ten, Red Dawn, Paper Boy, Strathspey.
2 lengths.—Time, 27.58.
Win, $16.80. Forecast (2-3) Div. $84.90.
Place, 1st $10.80; 2nd $9.20.

2—500 yd. flat.—1, Mr. Ching; 2, Wallfish.
Lizzie.
1½ length.—Time, 31.13.
Win, $65.50. Forecast (-12) Div. $305.30.
Place, 1st $17.80; 2nd $10.80.
Double Event 1/2 (2-1) Div. $78.20.

3—500 yd. flat.—1, Dah Chong; 2, Banque Eve.
6 lengths.—Time, 31.03.
Win, $36.90. Forecast (6-4) Div. $133.20.
Place, 1st $14.50; 2nd $7.90.
Double Event 2/8 (1-6) Div. $123.50.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Speedwing; 2, Diane.
2 lengths.—Time, 30.57.
Win, $23.60. Forecast (5-3) Div. $152.30.
Place, 1st $11.90; 2nd $19.70.
Double Event 3/4 (6-5) Div. $174.50.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Pai Koo; 2, Eumaeus.
1½ length.—Time, 30.42.
Win, $25.70. Forecast (1-6) Div. $160.40.
Place, 1st $9.90; 2nd $14.20.
Double Event 4/5 (5-1) Div. $94.80.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Shenkoland II; 2, Myrtle.
4 lengths.—Time, 30.36.
Win, $19.20. Forecast (3-1) Div. $65.70.
Place, 1st $10.60; 2nd $13.90.
Double Event 5/6 (1-3) Div. $46.30.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Our Fortune; 2, Go By.
1½ length.—Time, 30.33.
Win, $13.80. Forecast (2-3) Div. $36.50.
Place, 1st $8.20; 2nd $12.90.
Double Event 6/7 (3-2) Div. $26.70.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Olympia; 2, O'Branagan.
A neck.—Time, 30.33.
Win, $53.80. Forecast (5-1) Div. $458.30.
Place, 1st $15.90; 2nd $21.40.
Double Event 7/8 (2-5) Div. $88.20.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Luhai Lass; 2, Talgai Junior.
5 lengths.—Time, 29.94.
Win, $18.30. Forecast (3-1) Div. $107.40.
Place, 1st $10.70; 2nd $26.50.
Double Event 8/9 (5-3) Div. $81.40.

10—525 yd. flat.—1, Woodford; 2, Bethany.
2 lengths.—Time, 31.32.
Win, $11.10. Forecast (1-6) Div. $32.20.
Place, 1st $7.00; 2nd $7.80.
Double Event 9/10 (3-1) Div. $19.70.

11—525 yd. flat.—1, O.I.C.; 2, Whitey.
½ length.—Time, 31.12.
Win, $35.30. Forecast (3-6) Div. $179.60.
Place, 1st $11.00; 2nd $23.00.
Double Event 10/11 (1-3) Div. $49.70.

Robbery, Kidnapping Case Adjourned

Rickshaw Hong Manager Victimization Denied

Charged with robbery and kidnapping four Kompo men were brought before the First Special District Court for the robbery committed on February 26 in a rickshaw hong at 1210 Yung En Li, Robison Road and the kidnapping of the hong manager's nephew on February 26. All accused denied the charge and the hearing was adjourned sine die pending further investigations.

It was alleged that the four accused first relieved the hong manager, Mr. Wang Heng-sheng, of a large sum of money and two days later they visited his home again and carried away his nephew, Chi Hung-chuen. Mr. Wang later received a threatening letter saying that if he failed to raise a ransom of $6,000 his home would be burned. Police investigations resulted in the arrest of the four accused.

Exporters Win Hongs' Ten Pins League

1st Bn. Marines Beaten In Final Play-off

With the help of a three-game lead which was made on Tuesday, the Exporters had no difficulty to win their fourth game last night at the American Club and become champions of the Commercial Ten Pine League, defeating the First Battalion U.S. Marines in the final play-off by.

EXPORTERS	1st 3 Games	4th	5th	Total
Lamont	483	162	160	839
Baldwill	458	197	172	787
Dalton	568	190	188	946
Gray	524	137	175	839
James	516	148	173	837
	2,564	794	901	4,259
1ST BATTALION				
Ashley	482	157	145	784
Wilson	178	158	159	495
Respess	492	187	157	836
Fitzjerrell	474	153	158	785
Fiori	435	156	189	780
Allen	316	—	—	316
	2,381	811	808	3,996

King Has First Winner Of Season

Mouzelle Runs Away with Wilbraham Stakes

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Newmarket, Apr. 26.

His Majesty had the first winner of the season here today when the two-year-old filly, Mouzelle, starting at 11-2, won the Wilbraham Stakes over a course of five furlongs, beating Mr. T. F. Blackwell's Lady Sue, at 9-4, by three-quarters of a length.

Sir Hugo Cunliffe Owen's Tumult, at 7-2, was a short head away to take third place. Seventeen ran.

The royal victory was greeted by loud cheers.—Reuter.

Thousand Guineas Probables

London, Apr. 27.

The following are the probable starters for the One Thousand Guineas, which will be run at Newmarket tomorrow, over a distance of one mile:—

Wave Length or Herslipper (Crouch); Light Velocity (Gordon Richards); Streakaway (Beary); Amy Robsart (Cliff Richards); Galatea II (Jones); Quite Contrary (Sirett); Titbit (Richardson); Flyolley (Harry Wragg); Aurora (Perryman); Olein (Lowrey); Arsenal (Sam Wragg); Yokimour (Smirke); Kitty Frisk (Thwaites); Superbe (D. Smith); Buoyant (Carslake); Sonsiewench (E. Smith); Seaway (Simpson); Curtain Call; Infrared.—Reuter.

Tommy Farr to Meet Larry Gains

London, Apr. 26.

Tommy Farr, the British heavyweight, is to meet the veteran Canadian, Larry Gains, here over ten rounds on May 17.—Reuter.

Rugby League Results

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 26.

Following are results of Rugby League games played today:

Hunslet 23, Batley 5
Wigan 26, St. Helens Rcs. 11
Swinton 14, Bradford 8.—Reuter.

Belgium Government Wins Special Powers

Brussels, Apr. 27.

The Chamber of Deputies, by a vote of 104 to 84, today gave the Government of M. Hubert Pierlot, Prime Minister, the special powers for which it asked to deal with the present situation. By a majority of 178 votes of 15, the Chamber adopted various national defence measures.—Reuter.

British-Canadian Pact For Air Defence

Ottawa, Apr. 26.

Mr. Ian Mackenzie, Minister of National Defence, announced today in the House of Commons that an agreement had been reached between the British and Canadian Governments for a three-year scheme for the training of pilots for the air force in Canada. He added that about fifty British students and pilots were expected to be sent to Canada each year.—Reuter.

U.S. Rushes Arms Programme

Army Personnel to Be Invigorated by Large Reshuffle of Officers

Washington, Apr. 27.

The United States government moved on three fronts yesterday to rush to completion President Roosevelt's $2,000,000,000 rearmament programme designed to give America the largest Navy, most modern air force and best trained and equipped Army in the world.

In a surprise move, the Secretary of War, Mr. Harry Woodring, asked Congress to empower him to invigorate the Army command by placing younger men in the grades from Captain to Brigadier-General to replace over-age officers.

Mr. Woodring said he had not yet determined what should be considered as 'over-aged" for the various grades. He said the War Department also plans to advance younger men through new and rigid physical examinations in addition to the regular examinations. These will become mandatory before June 30 for all officers above the rank of Captain, he said.

Meanwhile, President Roosevelt signed the $549,000,000 War Department appropriations bill which carries funds for the construction of almost 600 new fighting planes and bombers as part of the programme to build the air force up to 6,000 planes. The bill also provides for enlargement of the Army.

More Funds Requested

Later the President asked Congress to appropriate $31,622,000 to finance immediate work on naval and air bases approved in the Vinson Naval Bill. He also asked the House Appropriations Committee to authorize the letting of contracts immediately for the complete naval base programme which calls for approximately $15,000,000. Previously he had asked for $18,000,000 in immediate defence appropriations for similar projects.

Mr. James Scrugham, Democrat of Nevada and chairman of the House Sub-Committee on Naval Appropriations, said the President's requests would be considered in connection with the $688,000,000 regular Navy Department budget bill. He said the total requests for the Navy this year would be about $800,000,000, a peacetime record.

The Naval Base Bill will provide nine new or reinforced United States Navy bases in the Pacific, giving the nation a new line of defence linking Alaska and the Philippines by way of Hawaii, Midway and Wake Islands.—United Press.

OBITUARIES

Sir. E. W. Tate

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 26.

Sir E. W. Tate, principal of Tate & Lyle Sugar Refineries, died today at the age of 72.—Reuter.

Mr. E. J. Howard

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Wellington, Apr. 26.

Mr. E. J. Howard, former seaman and copper smelter, who became an M.P., and Speaker in the New Zealand House of Representatives, died here today at the age of 71.—Reuter.

Mr. James Brewster Yee, 25 year old Chinese clergyman of Brewster, N.Y., and Miss Laura Jane Dunlap, 33, of Arlington, Vt., have filed their intention to wed. Miss Dunlap described herself as a "religious instructor." Mr. Yee said he was affiliated with a Hartford, Conn., seminary. He is a native of Roseville, Calif.

U.S. Shipping to Lead in Pacific

Supremacy Envisaged Within Two Years If No War Eventuates

Washington, Apr. 27.

Barring a possible general war, the United States will exceed all other nations in trans-Pacific shipping within two years, former Senator William Gibbs McAdoo, chairman of the American President Lines, predicted here today following several conferences with the Federal Maritime Commission.

He said the President Lines are expecting to add three new 25,000-ton ships to their trans-Pacific fleet and six additional new vessels, probably of 15,000-tons, to the round-the-world fleet. These ships are expected to be in services within two years, he said.

The former California Senator said he was unable to predict whether there would be a world war in the next two years, but said he was convinced that even if war comes, "Manila, Hongkong and Shanghai will never change hands and won't be taken."

He particularly pointed out the case of Manila where the United States flag will fly at least until 1946.

"It is unthinkable that any nation would attempt to change the *status quo* there as long as this is true," he said.

The President Lines, he said, are doing "exceedingly well" in trans-Pacific shipping. He predicted steady improvement of conditions for the company "if normal conditions continue."—United Press.

Gen. Chi Si-wen Said to Have Been Killed

Chungking, Apr. 27.

The Chinese military authorities here have officially denied reports of the death of General Chi Sin-wen, the defender of the Marco Polo Bridge and the walled town of Wanping.

They declare that he is not in Shanghai, and is not sick, but is commanding troops at the front. The Chinese press today gave prominence to reports of his death, saying that following illness, he died in Shanghai last week.

General Chi Sin-wen's battle with the Japanese at Lukouchiao on July 7, 1937, started the present Sino-Japanese war.—Reuter.

C.N.A.C. Plan Air Mail To Sikong

Chungking, Apr. 27.

The China National Aviation Corporation is planning the inauguration of an air-mail and passenger service between Chungking and Anting, capital of Sikong province. A survey flight will probably take place in May.—Reuter.

Mrs. John Barrymore Seeking Divorce

St. Louis, Mo., Apr. 26.

Mr. John Barrymore, famous film star, told newspapermen here today that his 22-year-old wife, the former Miss Elaine Barrie, is divorcing him. She is his fourth wife.—Reuter.

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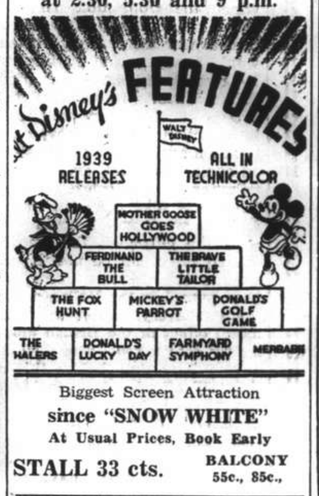

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London, Apr. 26.

Announcing the Straits Legislative Council's resolution offering £1,000,000 towards the cost of the general defence of the British Empire in the House of Commons today, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, said: "I have requested the Governor (Sir Shenton Thomas) to express to the Council His Majesty's Government's grateful acceptance of this most generous gift, and their warm appreciation for the sustained and practical co-operation of the Straits in sharing the costly burden of Empire defence, of which this gift is yet another example."

Cheers from all sides of the House greeted Mr. MacDonald's statement.—Reuter.

Hari-Kari Victim Recovering

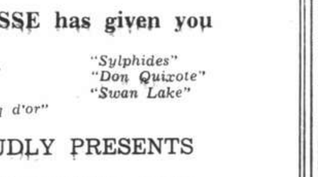
Because he resented the "procrastinating attitude" adopted by the Shanghai Municipal Council in connection with anti-Japanese terrorism in the Settlement, Ryosuka Inouye, a 25-year-old Japanese attempted to commit nari-kari in the Administration Building at noon on Wednesday, a statement appearing in a Hongkew Chinese language newspaper stated yesterday.

As reported in the "North-China Daily News," Inouye who is unemployed, delivered a letter at the Council building before proceeding to the second floor staircase where he stabbed himself two or three times with a dagger in the abdomen. He was rushed immediately to the Foo Min Hospital, where he was stated to be comfortable yesterday. He is expected to be discharged in about a month's time.

Italian Cabinet Called For Saturday

Rome, Apr. 26.

Signor Mussolini has summoned a Cabinet meeting for Saturday morning.—Reuter.



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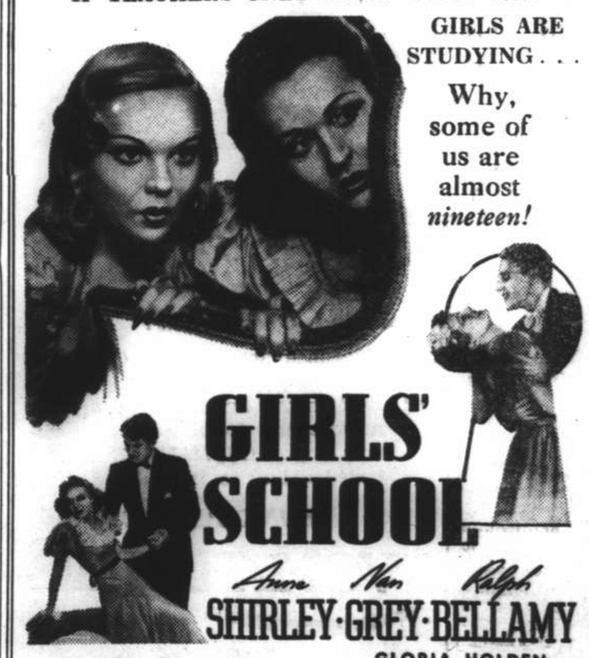

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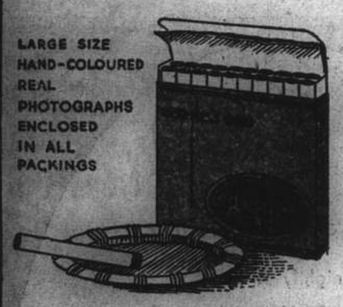

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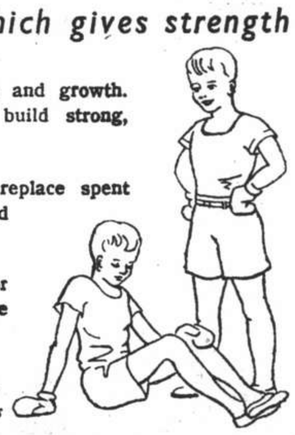

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DEATHS

LILLIE.—On Monday, April 24, 1939, in Shanghai following an automobile accident, BERTRAM LILLIE, aged 37 years, principal of the Lester School and Henry Lester Institute of Technical Education and the dearly-beloved husband of Mrs. Marjorie and father of Anne Lillie. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services will be held today, Friday, April 28, at the Bubbling Well Cemetery at 4 p.m.

HALLYBURTON.—On Tuesday, April 25, 1939, at Shanghai, Captain WALTER GEORGE HALLYBURTON, aged 44 years. Funeral services (cremation) will be held today, Friday, April 28, at the Chapel of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road, at 5.30 p.m.

BRADY.—On April 27, 1939, at 910 Route de Zikawei, Shanghai, ANDREW AUGUSTUS BRADY, in his 62nd year (Shanghai Stock Exchange), beloved husband of Grace Brady. The funeral will take place at the Bubbling Well Cemetery today, Friday, April 28, at 5 p.m. All friends are invited to attend. 12372

IN MEMORIAM

TIMMINS.—In ever-loving memory of my dear husband, MICHAEL (TIM), who departed this life April 28, 1937, aged 65.
A life made sweet by kindly deeds
A helping hand for others' needs.
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IMPARTIAL NOT NEUTRAL

A MORAL GESTURE

The House of Commons debate following the Government's declaration of its intention to introduce a modified form of compulsory service in Great Britain has up to the present produced nothing of a very high order from the Opposition. Mr. Chamberlain has been subjected to the expected twitting for having gone back on the pledge that conscription would not be introduced during times of peace, and has acquitted himself well by reminding his hearers that the circumstances in which they have been living can hardly be classed as peace time circumstances. With that contention there cannot be the slightest disagreement, for if peace is merely to mean abstention from overt hostilities the Opposition is correct; if on the other hand it is to mean a greater degree of amity than at present prevails then Mr. Chamberlain has the whole weight of the argument on his side. That the Opposition will continue to resist the passage of the necessary legislation may be taken for granted. It is not to be believed, however, that this will materially affect the position of the Government, for even with a certain number of dissentients within the ranks of its own supporters, it should still command a sufficient majority to ensure the enactment of the various measures necessary to give effect to these latest proposals. The Government's position is all the stronger by reason of realization of the fact that if the Opposition were now in power, and they were faced with the serious problems with which Mr. Chamberlain is confronted, they would have had no other alternative than to have done what he is doing. Indeed the following of policies which the Opposition has been advocating would have meant that the nation would have been at war months ago, and that conscription would have become an imperative necessity by reason of a state of affairs which the Prime Minister is doing all in his power to avoid. It is all very well to look upon the introduction of compulsory service as a preparation against war; it must also be regarded as an important, even if unfortunate contribution to the cause of peace. A strong Britain is that powerful factor for peace which a weak nation could never be.

Of the effect of this move on opinion abroad there can be not the slightest doubt. Despite the slighting remarks which have been passed in the Italian and German Press there is every reason to believe that the moral effect of the British move is not to be lightly discounted. The idea that it will be a very long time before this new conscription will afford a force to be reckoned with, has no real basis in British history. The experience of the Great War showed that upon the introduction of compulsory service the training, arming and equipping of the armies thus raised took on the average about six months. There is no reason whatever to justify the supposition that any longer time will be necessary now, while the contention that there are not sufficient officers to train the new levies has no more justification now than it had in the period 1914-1918. Those are considerations with which the well informed in Italy and Germany are fully cognizant, and though for purposes of domestic propaganda it may be necessary to decry this new move which the British Government contemplates, realization of the hard facts must inevitably mean formation of the opinion that whatever may have been the case in the past, Great Britain is now prepared to make a larger contribution towards the perpetuation of peace than ever before, by demonstration of the fact that if she is obliged to fight, there will be no limits to the sacrifices she will be prepared to make. That Herr Hitler has shown himself fully to realize by his own writings, and the knowledge that Britain now means business may even at this late hour bring about some modification of the plans of the Dictators.

There is another aspect of the matter which is not without importance, and that is with regard to the attitude of those Powers which Great Britain and France have invited to join the anti-aggression pact. The fact that the former has now committed herself completely to that arrangement, and is prepared to throw the whole of her forces into its fulfilment, means that such countries as Poland and Rumania are now being made to realize the importance which is attached to the scheme. It is on the other hand an added inducement to other nations who may find themselves menaced by the plans of aggrandisement designed by both Germany and Italy to throw in their lot with the others. There can only be one fear in this connection, and that is whether Great Britain has not decided to act too late in the day. The counsel of perfection would have been if Mr. Chamberlain had reached this present fateful decision immediately following the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia. That might have saved Albania, and prevented the dictator foothold in the Balkans. It might also have prevented Herr Hitler from taking up an attitude from which he might not with dignity be able to recede. It is not suggested that he has done so up to the present, but a great deal depends upon what he has to say before the Reichstag today. A complete contemptuous rejection of President Roosevelt's plea for peace will mean that he has decided to burn his boats, and at some future date, distant or near, he may decide to chance the fulfilment of the destinies of Germany and Italy on the wild gamble of war. Both of those countries may be said to be at the apogee of their strength; there is still much might on the democratic side which has yet to be developed, and the potentialities are strongly in favour of the latter. If there is any one certain thing in the present situation it is that neither Great Britain nor France contemplate a short war if it is forced upon them. It will not indeed be really started until one side or the other has obtained complete control of the air. The theory of *blitskrieg* has been tested out in the past. It has failed. While it may be true that with modern developments the chance of such a sudden blow has improved, there is in reality little, if anything, to support the view that improvements in arms since the Great War have not been completely offset by counter-improvements, and while the destructive capabilities of the air arm have to be admitted, it must be pointed out that in the long run it has been the bayonet which has been the decisive factor. It may take a very long time before that weapon will come into play in circumstances of war as they are at present envisaged.

Tsingtao Harbour

According to a telegram from London, the question of Tsingtao berthing accommodation was raised in the House of Commons on Wednesday and Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, stated that the British Government is taking up the question of the extension of facilities at that port. When the Japanese authorities announced the reopening of Tsingtao to third party shipping the gesture was favourably received because it was believed that something like normal berthing facilities would be restored after a long period during which the Japanese insisted on its closure for military reasons. The concession, however, has not proved in any way adequate even for the restricted shipping visiting the port. Only two berths have been allocated for third party vessels and these berths are considered the poorest in the harbour and difficult to reach in bad weather. The two berths are large enough for two coastal steamers or one ocean-going steamer and the minimum nature of this concession can easily be appreciated. With another condition of 48 hours' prior notice before occupying the berths, the difficulties confronting third party shipping are obvious for it means that the limited accommodation available must result in considerable inconvenience in order to fit in requirements with the arrangements provided. On occasions, third party ships have been outside waiting for berths at the designated point while the other berths in the Tsingtao inner harbour have been empty, not a Japanese vessel being in sight. Tsingtao harbour is large enough to handle all the trade visiting the port at present and also provide a large margin for the military requirements of the Japanese, and therefore the request by third party shipping for increased facilities is not unreasonable.

A Gladstonian Budget

Sir John Simon, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, evoked an interesting historical parallel when, presenting his budget to the House of Commons on Tuesday, he mentioned Gladstone's first budget for purpose of comparison—a manœuvre, it is said, adopted to humour his listeners for the subsequent shock. Gladstone's first budget presented on April 18, 1853, asked the country to provide £53,000,000: Sir John asked the country to provide twenty times that amount. The Chancellor could have extended his references to Gladstone's remarks on that occasion when the great statesman, occupying his first important position, proposed to abolish income tax altogether. It was a great gesture undertaken with no little concern by Gladstone who thought the country could shoulder the financial drain without resort to this form of taxation. To a man who resorted to the Bible. Treasury returns and customs statistics with equal impartiality in forming his political opinions, his homily on defence requirements in 1853 has a reflected bearing on the present situation of incredible armament programmes created by the fears and uncertainties of the times. He wrote:

> The expenses of war are the moral check which it has pleased the Almighty to impose upon the ambition and lust of conquest that are inherent in so many nations. There is pomp and circumstance, there is glory and excitement about war, which, notwithstanding the misery it entails, invests it with charm in the eyes of the community, and tends to blind men to these evils to a fearful and dangerous degree. The necessity of meeting from year to year the expenditure which it entails is a salutary and wholesome check, making them feel what they are about, and making the measure the cost of the benefit upon which they calculate.

The world would have benefited had this course of conduct fulfilled the prescribed limits, but the great statesman's vision did not conceive the extravagances likely to be reached 86 years later.

A Country Diary

April 27.—Spring rushes on apace and summer is almost beginning: the period of "Grain Rain" has come....wheat and barley are heavy in the ear: the pale mauve flowers of the Horse Beans have faded and shrivelled ...and already in their place the young beans have formed: Chinese farmers have performed their annual miracle of producing armies of creeping plants from beneath layers of oily brown paper, and soon these will be crawling up the bamboo barriers which circumvallate the little world in which we live ....with a speed almost equal to that displayed by the beanstalk planted by Jack. Already the small winged insects are in the air, and one's garden at night is thronged with bats, just out of their winter quarters, busily catching them. The birds too are answering to the call, and the nesting season is far advanced: Magpies are out and fully fledged—Rooks not far behind them: my garden Blackbird already has young in the metal box of the gutter downpipe....while many lady Blackbirds in that little domain we call Jessfield Park are sitting on eggs in the tree-tops: the Sharp-tailed Munias which were disturbed from their bamboo trees in the Zoo (when the all-highest started to rebuild it) have chosen a new site in a Palm Tree—perhaps they think it will bring better luck: a tiny nest on a fir-tree branch already contains squeaking young....little Silver-throated Tits. Bulbuls are swiftly assuming the clear white nape of the breeding season, and choosing sites for nests: solemn Night Herons are detaching themselves from the flock in pairs and wandering round their favourite trees like country couples "walking out." Migration movements are speeding up, and yellow-black-and-white Tricolor flycatchers are darting in and out of the trees. Finally I may say that the first pairs of white bags will be seen in the Shanghai Club on Monday next..... for summer is a'cumin in, as old friend Chaucer put it.

IN PARENTHESIS

Success Story

UNCLE PETE observes that Noah successfully floated the first company while the rest of the world was in liquidation.

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Police Tale

"THE only time I saw my husband happy was when I said I had a job which would keep me out all day.—Woman at police court.

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200 Words Each Minute

"WHAT was the worst storm you were ever in?"

"Oh, it was terrible—it raged at nearly 200 words a minute."

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Auxiliary Defence

THE Australian Minister of Defence has informed women that they need no longer feel that lipstick is a useless luxury as it is now helping to maintain a valuable defense auxiliary. A factory which now manufactures brass lipstick containers will be converted for the production of cartridge cases in the event of a wartime emergency he said.

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Colour

A VERY large American woman, wearing a brilliant red dress and many diamonds, went to consult a celebrated dress designer. "Mr. Worth," she said, "what colours should I wear?" That connoisseur looked her over a brief moment and then replied, "My dear madame, when the Creator fashioned the hummingbird and the butterfly He made them of brilliant colours; but when He created the elephant He made it taupe!"

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Fret-work

THE Prime Minister has agreed to receive a deputation from the Arts and Crafts Federation urging the use of handmade armaments, fret-worked A.R.P. shelters, and knitted gas-masks.

"When war looms on the horizon" the spokesman of the delegation told the "Daily Rubbish" "we must reply with our own hand-looms. We must meet craft with craftsmanship, artfulness with art, and frightfulness with fret-work." He disapproves of mass-produced uniforms and thinks that soldiers in the field should wear smocks with their initials embroidered on the hems. "Why need war be ugly?" he demanded.

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Heard In Court

COUNSEL: What was the cause of this collision?
Witness: The two cars coming into contact.

Husband: I tried to concentrate on my work, but every half-minute my wife rushed into the factory to ask me how much I had earned.

Father: The more you look after a boy the worse he seems to get. I am glad that I had to look after myself after I was a fortnight old.

Solicitor: In whose favour were the traffic lights shining?

Motorist: The constable; he could see each side of them.

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Retort Courteous

DR. Winnington Ingram, the Bishop of London, is a great believer in the efficacy of humour (writes a correspondent of the Yorkshire "Post") and once declared no man was fit for the ministry who could not appreciate, and make others appreciate, the lighter side of things.

His own ready wit helped him to triumph even over a London taxi-man. A man who had driven him from St. Paul's Cathedral to Fulham Palace grumbled over his tip, and sneered, "Do you think if St. Paul was alive he'd live in your palace?"

"Why, no," replied the Bishop "He'd be living at Lambeth Palace, and your fare there would have been only a shilling."

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Geometry

IT is time for Stephen Leacock's famous "Boarding-House Geometry" to be revised. Humbly I put forward the following Short Primer of Geometry says a British columnist

A lie may be produced any number of times.
A frontier may be extended indefinitely.
A dictator is an angular figure, equal to anything but ultimately less than nothing.
A treaty has neither weight nor substance.
Any other country may be reduced to its lowest terms by a series of propositions.
A plane is that which describes circles, threatening to drop bombs on a defenceless population while a dotted line is drawn with the result that the opposite side is squared, and finally reduced.
Let A be a dictator's point, and B be a point belonging to another State. Now the shortest distance between A and B is a direct invasion. Therefore A and B are both Nazi points. Q.E.D.
A disarmament conference has neither length, breadth, magnitude, nor position. Yet it may be extended indefinitely.
Russia, France and Britain are parallel lines in that they run side by side but never coincide.

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Wasps That Sting

THE television of Varnishing Day at the Royal Academy is going to make things a bit difficult for one or two artists. Under the sharp eye of the television camera it will not be so easy to get away with certain tricks, writes a British columnist.

For example, only a few years back Hester Poop, whose quaintly charming domestic interiors always go down well with the old ladies, varnished her picture of "Old World Breakfast Table" with marmalade.

The result was that by the day of the Private View it was covered with wasps. Everyone said: "What realism! You feel those wasps could sting you!"

Lord Dribblemere did get stung, for he bought the picture, marmalade, wasps and all, for 500 guineas—not because he knew anything about art, but because a critic had called it the Problem Picture of the year.

It now hangs in the Middlesbrough Municipal Art Gallery, but the curator, being a purist has washed off the marmalade and the wasps. There would have been a scandal about it but for the fact that Lord Dribblemere and his cronies own all the newspapers. And yet people talk of the freedom of the press!

THE WEATHER

Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min. 51.0	Max. 75.5
Same date, 1938	Min. 48.0	Max. 74.0

Rainfall nil.

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min. 45.5	Max. 75.7
Same date, 1938	Min. 45.0	Max. 74.8

Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 26th:—Thibetan high and steady pressures over Central China. Depression crossing the Eastern Sea, east-north-eastward. North-westerly to north-easterly winds along the China Coast. Fine weather in the north: cloudy in our regions: misty in the south.

State on the morning of the 27th:—Fine weather. Westerly breezes. Normal and rising pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine, very mild and hazy weather with fresh north-westerly to south-westerly winds around Shantung: with westerly to northerly winds over our regions. Fine to cloudy with fresh northerly to north-easterly winds over the Eastern Sea.—Siccawei Observatory.

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Immediate Passage of Conscript Bill Urged

National Importance Stressed in Commons; Promptest Application Planned; Big Rush to Join "Terriers" Begins; Exemptions Reduced

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 27.

ARRANGEMENTS are already so far advanced for dealing with the problems raised by the introduction of conscription in Britain that, within two days of the passing of the necessary Bills, the first batches of conscripts can receive their calling-up notices. The registers from which the names will be drawn will be ready by the time the Military Training Bill is passed by Parliament. The War Office announced today that ex-servicemen over 45 years of age and under 51 will be invited to enlist in Home Defence Companies for an initial period of four years. The Home Defence Organization will be a part of the Territorial Army.

A joint meeting of the General Council of the Trades Unions Congress, the National Executive of the Labour Party and the Executive Committee of the Parliamentary Labour Party unanimously endorsed the Labour amendment made in the House of Commons today, regretting that the Government had abandoned the voluntary principle and declaring that conscription was ill-conceived. The National Council of Labour will meet on May 1 to consider the position in the light of today's debate in the House of Commons.

The Government motion forming the basis of the debate in the House of Commons approves compulsory military training as "necessary for national safety, and for the fulfilment of Britain's recent European undertakings." The motion welcomes the fact that the Government is simultaneously seeking fresh powers to limit the profits of armaments producing firms, and will take steps in the event of war to penalize profiteering, and prevent additions to individual fortunes through war conditions.

The Parliamentary Labour Party, after a special meeting in the House of Commons today, decided to put down the following amendment to the Government's motion:—"Whilst prepared to take all necessary steps to provide for the safety of the nation, and the fulfilment of its international obligations, the House regrets that the Government, in breach of their pledges, should abandon the voluntary principle, which has not failed to provide the man-power needed for defence."

The Liberals have tabled a similar amendment.

Possible Cabinet Reshuffle

The Government's announcement on conscription was received with relief by the majority of members of the House of Commons, writes Reuter's Lobby Correspondent.

Already, he declares, there is evidence that the Liberal section of the Opposition will make as few difficulties as possible.

Apart from their general views expressed in the House of Commons, the Labour Opposition remain non-committal, pending knowledge of the scope of the Government's motion, which is to be submitted in the Commons tomorrow.

As regards the political effect in general, the whole area of national effort, states Reuter's Correspondent, has now been widened, and there now remains little to divide the Government from previous Conservative critics. Consequently, he adds, it will not be surprising if Mr. Chamberlain shortly makes changes in the direction of broadening the basis of the Cabinet.

Jobs to Be Safeguarded

Reuter learns that the age 20-21 has been selected as the class to be called up under the new conscription measures because it is believed to be the age which interferes the least with the convenience of the individual, and with his operation in industry. Latitude to be allowed in postponing or anticipating the age of service in individual cases will make it possible for a person aged nineteen to be accepted in special circumstances.

The net total expected to be obtained from the scheme is 200,000. The intention behind the scheme, it is further understood, is that it should not be regarded as substituting a compulsory for a voluntary system in Great Britain. It is merely a supplementary measure to the voluntary system for ensuring the necessary number of men when needed.

The matters now under consideration include the desirability of compelling employees to keep conscripts' jobs open.

Provision for service with the Territorials after the six months training period means that this subsequent service with the Territorials will be purely voluntary.—Reuter.

Commons Debate Opens

London, Apr. 27.

Opening the momentous debate on conscription in the House of Commons this afternoon, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, announced that the Military Training Bill will be published on Monday and discussed in second reading in the House next Thursday next. The project aiming at facilitating the mobilization of men in the Territorial Army will be published after today's session, he added and declared that he considered it of "national importance" that the House reach a decision this evening on the plan which the Government is submitting. Mr. Chamberlain then presented the Government motion published yesterday, stressing the need for speedy action.

"It was important that a declaration be made this week, for any decision which we would have postponed until next week would have been made the object of a connection with Herr Hitler's speech tomorrow," he added. "We have no information as to what the speech will contain, and our proposals are entirely independent. This must be clearly understood throughout the world."

The Prime Minister then refuted the charge that he had broken previous undertakings, stressing that they were taken in circumstances which had no relations with those prevailing today.

Responsibility for Elections

Mr. Chamberlain considered that if the Government were compelled to resort to General Elections to sanction the decisions taken with a view to the country's protection, those who forced it to do so would bear a heavy responsibility.

He stressed once again that the present period is an abnormal one which is neither peace time nor war time.

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Democracies Hail British Move

Comments in Rome and Berlin Attempting to Minimize Significance

London, Apr. 27.

"Another step to security" is the heading of "The Times" leader today on conscription.

The "News-Chronicle" says: "The scheme is on so small a scale that it will do little to deter Signor Mussolini, much less Herr Hitler."

The "Daily Express" says: "Conscription has been introduced far too late; it should have been introduced immediately after Munich."

The "Daily Telegraph" believes "the proposals do not go far enough, but it may be well for the Government to take the fences one at a time."

The "Daily Herald" declares "the Government has shamelessly broken its pledges."

The "Manchester Guardian" believes that "what would produce greater confidence would be the sight of a new British Government under a new head."

New York press opinions support the British move. The "New York Times" says "It must be evident even to Germany that the temper of the British people has changed since Munich," while the "Herald Tribune" observes that "Herr Hitler has now had two important warnings in rapid succession; he is getting on dangerous ground."—Reuter.

Washington Reactions

Washington, Apr. 26.

Comment on the introduction of conscription in Great Britain is reserved, and will probably be largely withheld until it is seen how the British electorate and the Dominions react.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain's justification for introducing conscription in peace time, on the grounds that the present is not "peace time," will, it is considered, doubtless be weighed against his efforts to ensure equal sacrifice on the part of all classes.

The American Press has lately stressed alleged profiteering in Great Britain in connection with rearmament and Air Raid Precaution work. Congress is at present strongly preoccupied by various measures to "take the profit from war," and to conscript capital as well as man-power in the event of war. It is widely presumed that Britons will demand similar measures in the interests of equality.—Reuter.

M. Blum Makes Appeal

Paris, Apr. 27.

M. Léon Blum, the first Socialist Premier of France, writing in "Le Populaire" today, appeals to British Labour to change its attitude towards conscription.

He declares: "I do not hesitate to tell my Labour comrades that it is my profound conviction that conscription in Great Britain is one of those acts on which hangs the peace of the world."

Adding that he understood that the Labour Party remained the Party of Opposition, M. Blum said that if their opposition had been selfish, isolationist pacificism, it would have been logical for them to oppose conscription. "But," he continues, "their idea of opposition is quite the contrary. They reproach the Cabinet with doing too little."

"A very great event," states the "Journal des Débats." The phrase is typical of the manner in which the announcement on conscription made by Mr. Neville Chamberlain has been received throughout France.

"Le Temps" states that today's decision and yesterday's budget speech mean that "Britain is throwing into the balance the whole weight of her moral and material strength, in order to face the situation, and conscientiously acquit herself of her national and international duty." The paper adds that Germany will make a grave error if she regards British conscription as provocation, "since Germany re-established general service in violation of the spirit and letter of the Treaties."—Reuter.

German Comments

Berlin, Apr. 26.

Britain's conscription decision is regarded in political quarters as increasing the tension, particularly as regards Anglo-German relations.

It is indicated here that Herr Hitler will give Germany's answer to the latest British move in his speech on Friday, in which he is also expected to answer President Roosevelt's peace appeal.

Mr. Chamberlain's statement, it is stressed here, disposes of the theory that Sir Nevile Henderson, the British Ambassador, has brought back a threat of conscription in order to influence Germany. It is pointed out that conscription was introduced without waiting for the outcome of Sir Nevile's visit to the Foreign Office, whom Sir Nevile informed of the British Government's decision.

It is argued that conscription in Britain cannot quickly become a factor of military importance, and must be regarded as a "gesture."

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British Empire Defences Now "Well in Hand"

No Mutual Aid Pact With Yugoslavia or Bulgaria Sought Yet

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 26.

Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, stated in the House of Commons today that no approach had been, or was being, made at present to Yugoslavia or Bulgaria for pacts of mutual assistance.

Replying to a question whether he was now satisfied that the British colonies and mandated territories could successfully defend themselves against any external or internal attack until assistance could be sent to them from elsewhere, Mr. Macdonald said he was satisfied that the arrangements for the defence of such territories was "very well in hand."

At the conclusion of the visit of M. Grigor Gafencu, the Rumanian Foreign Minister, to London, a communique was issued stating that the meetings were "characterized by the utmost frankness and cordiality on both sides." The meetings, it is stated, served to emphasize the general community of outlook between the two governments concerning current problems.

M. Ivan Maisky, the Soviet Ambassador in London, who is now returning from Moscow, will break his journey in Paris. It is learned that M. Maisky will inform the Soviet Ambassador in Paris, M. Jacob Souritz, of the course of the Anglo-Russian conversations.—Reuter.

M. Maisky Brings No Plan

Stockholm, Apr. 27.

M. Ivan Maisky, Soviet Ambassador to London, said today that he has no proposals for an Anglo-Russian agreement regarding joint defence in Europe. The Ambassador, who arrived here by plane en route to London said he had received no special orders of any sort while in Moscow.—United Press.

Rumanian Independence

London, Apr. 26.

British politicians stress that Rumania's complete financial and economic independence of Italy and the Reich would be assured by the commercial accords being negotiated now by the Leith-Ross mission in Bucharest.

Anglo-Rumanian political conversations were favourably influenced by the Soviet-Polish rapprochement noticeable of late. Moscow is understood to have given up demands that the Polish-Rumanian accords be changed so as to be directed against the Reich alone, and this has contributed towards Russo-Polish rapprochement.

Sir William Seeds, British Ambassador to Soviet Russia, is expected soon to be instructed to urge Moscow to pledge assistance to Soviet neighbours in case of aggression "upon their request and according to terms fixed by them."

Turko-Rumanian co-operation was also discussed here and decisive progress is anticipated in this regard following the visit paid to Ankara by M. Vladimir Potemkin, Soviet Foreign Affairs Vice-Commissar, who may later visit Bucharest.

British statesmen refrained from claiming reciprocity of commitments from Rumania in order to avoid giving the Reich cause to consider Rumania as provocative.—Havas.

Parleys in Paris

Paris, Apr. 26.

Details of the mode of Soviet assistance to be given Poland and Rumania if they are attacked, will be discussed here by M. Gregor Gafencu, Rumanian Foreign Minister, who arrived here today from London.

Present at the station to meet him were the Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet; the Rumanian Ambassador, M. George Tatarescu, and the staff of the Rumanian Embassy, and M. Bojidar Pourich, Yugoslav Minister.

M. Gafencu will depart on Saturday for Rome, Belgrade and Bucharest. During his brief stay here, he will inform the French Government of the tenor of conversations in Warsaw, Berlin, Brussels and London.

Informed quarters understand that, contrary to earlier reports, Yugoslavia's eventual adherence to the Anti-Comintern Pact and her withdrawal from the League had not been discussed at Venice when Italo-Yugoslav parleys were held.

Dealing with Rumanian-Polish relations, M. Gafencu is expected to confirm despatches reporting an agreement extending the existing defensive alliance to operation in the event of aggression against either from any quarter, and not only Soviet Russia.—Havas.

Chancellor Hitler Replies to President Roosevelt Today

Chancellor Hitler will reply to President Roosevelt today, speaking over a world-wide broadcast at noon Berlin time, Shanghai time about 6 p.m. The German leader is here seen shaking hands with German ex-servicemen at the recent Heroes' Memorial Day in Berlin.

Conscription Shows World British Determination

Mr. Chamberlain Outlines Two Bills for Preparedness; Present Not "Peace Time"

London, Apr. 26.

"WE cannot but be impressed with the view that, despite the immense effort already made in rearmament, nothing would so impress the world with the determination of this country to offer firm resistance to aggression as its acceptance of the principle of compulsory military service," declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, in the House of Commons today. Explaining to the House the reasons for the Government's adoption of conscription, the Premier reminded his listeners that conscription was a universal rule on the Continent.

"There is an obvious weakness," he went on, "in a voluntary system which allows one man to devote himself to pleasure or gain, while his neighbour devotes himself to training in readiness for war. It is generally understood, and accepted, that in time of war, military service would be compulsory from the outset."

Announcing the Government's new conscription measures, the Premier said that the Government would introduce two Bills, one of which would enable the service departments to call up any class or description of reserve and auxiliary forces.

The main features of the other Bill were:—

1. The power to call up for military training all men between the ages of 20 and 21.
2. This training to be given only in Great Britain, except if war broke out, when the liability to serve abroad would apply to all alike, whether already called up or not.
3. Men to be called up will receive six months' training, and at the end of that period they will be discharged, and given the choice of entering the Territorial Army for 3½ years, during which time they would be called upon to fulfil the normal obligations of the territorial soldier; or of passing to the Special Reserve of the Regular Army.
4. Provision will be made whereby individuals, when good cause is shown, may anticipate or, postpone for a specified period the date of their calling up, so far as national interests permit.
5. Provision will be made for exemption, by tribunals, of conscientious objectors, on the condition that they undertake work of national importance.

"This is Not Peace Time"

"Hitherto, it has not been thought necessary to introduce such a measure in peace-time, and I renewed the pledge given by Lord Baldwin (former Prime Minister) that compulsory military service would not be introduced during the life of this Parliament in peace-time," declared Mr. Chamberlain. "We are not at war now, but when every country is straining all its resources to be ready for war, when confidence in the maintenance of peace has been undermined, and everyone knows that if war were to come, we might pass into it in a matter not of weeks, but of hours, none can pretend that this is peace-time in any sense in which the term can be fairly used.

"Under the Bill, it will be necessary to call up certain Territorial and a number of Regular personnel to reinforce our system of anti-aircraft defence throughout the period of uneasiness which may last for a considerable time yet.

"This will entail on the part of the Territorials who are called up a greater and more prolonged sacrifice than was anticipated when they enrolled.

"The Government has come to the conclusion that, to meet these new and exceptional conditions, some measure of compulsory military training for the time being has become necessary. I say 'for the time being' because I wish to emphasize that the Government's proposals, which will be embodied in a second Bill entitled the Military Training Bill, will be of a temporary character."

Three-year Period for Powers

Mr. Chamberlain indicated that the powers granted by the two Bills would last for three years, but that these could be brought to an end by an Order in Council if circumstances changed.

On the other hand, they could be extended after three years for a year at a time, but only after an affirmative resolution had been passed by both Houses. The Military Training Bill, M. Chamberlain stated, would be introduced next week.

"I need, perhaps, hardly repeat that the object of the assurances we have given to certain countries, as well as of the conversations that are now proceeding with other Governments, is not to wage war, but prevent it," Mr. Chamberlain emphasized.

The Premier stated that, broadly speaking, under the present procedure mobilization, whether complete or partial, could only take place after the issue of a proclamation, declaring that a state of emergency existed. Such proclamations, no doubt, were contemplated as being issued when the outbreak of war appeared imminent. But in present times, war might not appear imminent, and yet general conditions might be so uncertain that it was desirable to take certain precautions without publicity,

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H.M. Envoy Brings No Note for Reich

Mr. Chamberlain on Reason for Return; No "Affront" Seen

London, Apr. 26.

Sir Nevile Henderson, the British Ambassador in Berlin, "has not been instructed to make any suggestions or proposals to the German Government," declared Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, in reply to a question in the House of Commons today.

"We thought it right," Mr. Chamberlain added, "that in the present circumstances he should be at his post to keep Germany informed of the developments in British foreign policy."

Questioned whether Sir Nevile would interview Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop (the German Foreign Minister) before Herr Hitler's speech on Friday, Mr. Chamberlain stated that Sir Nevile had been received by Baron Ernst von Weizsaecker, the Secretary of State, that morning.

It was impossible, he said, to arrange an interview with Herr von Ribbentrop. Doubtless, Mr. Chamberlain declared, Sir Nevile would use his discretion about seeking a subsequent interview with Herr von Ribbentrop.

Mr. Frederick Bellenger, Labour member for the Bassetlaw division of Notts, alluded to rumours that Herr von Ribbentrop was unable to see Sir Nevile because he had not the time to spare. He asked whether that was not a "direct affront" to the British Ambassador.

Mr. Chamberlain said he thought it was unnecessary to make that assumption. He understood that Herr von Ribbentrop was engaged on account of the visit of M. Alexander Cincar-Makovitch, the Yugoslav Foreign Minister, to Berlin.—Reuter.

Egypt to Fix Minimum Cotton Prices

Cairo, Apr. 26.

The Egyptian Minister of Finance, Dr. Ahmed Maher, today empowered the Alexandria Bourse Commission to fix minimum cotton prices until May 15, owing to wild fluctuations.—Reuter.

Herr Hitler Stops Work on Speech to See American Dancer Perform

Unannounced Visit Paid to Theatre to Watch Miss Marian Verne in Musical Revue

Berlin, Apr. 27.

Chancellor Adolf Hitler interrupted work on his speech to attend a musical revue at the Metropole Theatre last night, it was learned today. The Reichsfuehrer went to see the revue in which an American dancer, Miss Marian Verne, performed.

Miss Verne several weeks ago was invited by the Fuehrer to perform at a private party at the Chancellery. She later was also requested to perform at the Ministry of Propaganda during a party given by Dr. Joseph Goebbels, Minister of Propaganda.

Chancellor Hitler was accompanied by a few bodyguards last night when he went to the theatre. He did not inform the management in advance of his intention to see the revue and arrived unannounced. It was the second time in recent weeks that he visited the Metropole Theatre. He recently attended a performance of a revue called "Melody of the Night."—United Press.

Berlin Prepares for Speech

Berlin, Apr. 27.

An army of workmen is preparing the Opera House for the Reichstag meeting on April 28. The big scale decorations erected in honour of Herr Hitler's birthday will greet the Fuehrer when he drives from the Chancellery to the Opera House. Few people, however, will be in the streets, as workers will be in factories and offices, and school children, obeying an order issued by Dr Joseph Goebbels, the Minister of Propaganda, will be gathered round communal wireless sets.

Field Marshal Herman Goering, as President of the Reichstag, will declare the session open and then Herr Hitler will speak.

The Fuehrer is understood to have arranged to speak in the daytime to allow his speech to be printed in the world's press the following morning with considered official reaction from the various capitals.

Herr Hitler has already completed his speech, Reuter is given to understand by political circles. It is indicated that Herr Hitler will give Germany's answer to British conscription in his speech.

Criticism of the British conscription decision is again the main foreign topic in newspapers here today.—Reuter.

Inspired Anti-British Move Increases

Peiping, Apr. 26.

The anti-British movement continues in various parts of North China. Japanese reports describe meetings even in Mongolia, the speakers at which are stated to have been Japanese.

Foreign correspondents in Kaifeng yesterday heard violent denunciations of Britain, France and Russia by the Japanese-appointed governor. Significant is the fact that British correspondents were not invited to visit Kaifeng with German and American correspondents. Eye-witnesses state that the Governor was reading from a manuscript "prepared on a Japanese typewriter."—Reuter.

British Protest To Japanese

Unfair Discrimination In Tsingtao; Question Of Flags Considered

London, Apr. 26.

The British Government has lodged representations with the Japanese Government concerning "unfair discrimination" against foreign vessels with respect to mooring arrangements at Tsingtao, declared Mr. R. A. Butler, the Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons today.

Replying to a question by Mr. Philip Noel-Baker, Labour member for Derby, Mr. Butler stated that the question of the extension of further facilities was being taken up with Japan.

Mr. Adrian Moreing, Conservative member for Preston, asked whether any report had been received from Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, the British Ambassador to China, on the Japanese demand addressed to the Shanghai Municipal Council, that the Council prohibit the display of the Chinese national flag within the areas under the Council's jurisdiction.

Mr. Butler said that no report to this effect had been received.

Any request by the Municipal Council for assistance in a matter of this sort, Mr. Butler added, would be carefully considered, on consultation with other interested Powers.—Reuter.

U.S. President May Send Second Plea

New Message Expected If Fuehrer Leaves Door Open

Washington, Apr. 27.

Belief is growing in diplomatic circles here that President Roosevelt may address a further peace message to Her Hitler if he leaves the door open in his speech to the Reichstag tomorrow.—Reuter.

Washington, Apr. 26.

President Roosevelt intends to sleep right through Chancellor Adolf Hitler's reply to his peace appeal on Friday. The President will leave Washington tonight and will be at his home in Hyde Park when Herr Hitler speaks at noon in Berlin or 6 a.m. local time. The President does not intend to arise early to hear the radio broadcast of Herr Hitler's speech.—United Press.

Royal Visitors to Be Received

Washington, Apr. 27.

President Roosevelt left for his Hyde Park estate by special train yesterday evening.

During his stay there, the President will receive the Crown Prince of Norway, and the Crown Prince and Crown Princess of Denmark.

President Roosevelt will leave for New York on Sunday to inaugurate the New York World Fair.—Havas.

Manchoukuo Makes Pacts with Soviets

Relations Now Much Improved as Result

Chanchun, Apr. 27.

Following the settlement of the fishery question between Japan and the Soviet Union, Changchun has concluded an agreement with Moscow on a number of undisclosed issues, easing the strained relations between the two countries, it is reported here.

The settlement, it is stated, is the result of a series of negotiations between representatives of Manchoukuo and the Soviet Union.—Reuter.

Japanese Claim More Successes In Central China

New Railway Loop Cuts Off Chengchow; Battle At Huschow Said Going in Tokyo's Favour

Peiping, Apr. 27.

TWO major railway arteries in North China will be linked on May 5, when an 80-kilometre spur of the Peiping-Hankow railway, jutting to the south-east from Sinsiang in Honan to Kaifeng, the provincial capital, will be opened to traffic.

The line was built by Japanese army engineers who constructed a temporary wooden bridge across the Yellow River to carry the new line. Work on this spur began on March 25.

Sinsiang is also the junction of the Taokow-Chinghwa and Peiping-Hankow Railways. The Peiping-Hankow and Lunghai railways cross at Chengchow, west of Kaifeng. Chengchow is still in Chinese hands.—Domei.

Peiping, Apr. 27.

The Chinese 20th and 22nd Divisions yesterday crossed the Yellow River at various points in the neighbourhood of Chungmow and Tunghao, advancing on a 70-kilometre front, it is reported here today.

Japanese commanders at Hsuchow, who for the time being have transferred their staff headquarters to Kaifeng, confirm the new Chinese offensive and believe that the Chinese forces will endeavour to invade Shantung.—Trans-Ocean.

Fighting in Kaoan

Chungking, Apr. 27.

Street fighting is still in progress in Kaoan, the town situated on the highway to the west of Nanchang, where a handful of Japanese troops are still holding out in the north-eastern corner of the town, according to a Chinese field dispatch received here today.

When the Chinese troops entered Kaoan on the night of April 23, the dispatch states, they proceeded with mopping up operations, and "surrounded a handful of Japanese troops" in the north-eastern corner of the town.

Following the refusal of the Japanese to surrender, the dispatch continues, the Chinese launched an attack against them on the morning of April 24.

On the following morning (April 25), it adds, a large body of Japanese reinforcements reached the outskirts of Kaoan, attempting to effect junction with the Japanese holding out inside the town, but were driven back by the Chinese.

As late as the morning of April 26, the Chinese dispatch claims street fighting was continuing in Kaoan.

A Chinese field dispatch received here today claims that the strategic hill of Paishihling, three miles north-east of Kaoan, has been captured by the Chinese. It is stated that over 1,000 Japanese troops were firmly entrenched behind block houses, barbed wire entanglements and strong defences there, and they were attempting to use the hill as a base for a counter-attack on Kaoan.

Realizing the importance of Paishihling, the Chinese command, according to the dispatch, ordered a determined assault on the hill. After 48 hours of severe fighting, it is claimed, Chinese troops occupied the hill yesterday morning.

"The Japanese left behind 800 dead, 26 machine-guns, two trench mortars and 300 rifles," the Chinese dispatch states.

Kaoyu Retaken

Kaoyu, town on the highway west of Nanchang, and north-east of Kaoan, was captured by the Chinese yesterday evening at 7 a.m., according to a Chinese field dispatch.

Japanese forces west of Nanchang counter-attacked on the night of April 25, it states, and captured Tsiangfukwan, but the Chinese forces immediately drove the Japanese out once more, occupying Tsiangfukwan yesterday afternoon at 4 p.m.

Chinese forces advancing on Fengsin, west of Nanchang and north of the highway, the dispatch adds, reached the suburbs of the town yesterday morning at 10 a.m., after which the Chinese launched an assault on the city wall.—Reuter.

Japanese Suiyuan Victory

Paotow, Apr. 27.

In a 13-hour engagement, Japanese troops advancing toward Shwanglungchen, 50 kilometres south-east of Salatsi, routed Chinese forces of the 86th Division at 2.30 o'clock early on Sunday morning near Chiashanchitui, five kilometres north of Salatsi, east of Paotow, in south-eastern Suiyuan, according to belated dispatches reaching here today.

The Chinese abandoned 160 dead during the encounter, the dispatches stated.—Domei.

Air Co-operation

A Japanese Air Base, Apr. 27.

Co-operating with land forces, which defeated three Chinese regiments in the Kongmoon area in southern Kwangtung on Tuesday, Japanese army aircraft yesterday morning bombed a Chinese wireless station, a military depot, and junks loaded with Chinese troops in areas south of Shiuhing, on the West River.

Chinese troops retreating near Shiuhing and Sunhing, 40 kilometres south-west of Shiuhing, were machine-gunned by the army bombers during the morning raid.

Koming, 30 kilometres south of Samshui, was also subjected to an air bombardment later in the day.—Domei.

Nanchang Recaptured

Chinese reports from Chungking and Hongkong claimed yesterday that Chinese forces recaptured Nanchang on Wednesday, after engaging the Japanese in fierce street fighting. The Chinese national flags were stated to have been hung in the city which was a burning inferno, as the retreating Japanese burned their war material. A spokesman of the Military Affairs Council was quoted as saying that it was the biggest achievement made by Chinese forces since the battle of Taierchwang.

Ichang Bombed

Ichang, Apr. 26.

Eight Japanese pursuit 'planes and 12 bombers attacked Ichang today, bombing the eastern part of the city and the suburbs across the Yangtze River. About 100 houses were destroyed, mostly burned, while there were about 70 casualties.—Reuter.

British Fleet Anchors In Greek Ports

Athens, Apr. 26.

Part of the British Fleet now proceeding with manœuvres in the Eastern part of the Mediterranean, arrived at Calamata today, while a second squadron anchored at Uavarino, another Greek port.—Havas.

Mr. Y. Miura Calls On S.M.C. Head

Request for Suppression Of Anti-Japanese Press And Propaganda

Requesting that immediate steps be taken to suppress anti-Japanese propaganda and anti-Japanese newspapers in the International Settlement, Mr. Y. Miura, Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai, called upon Mr. C. S. Franklin, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, on Wednesday afternoon, it was revealed yesterday.

Contained in the note which was delivered by Mr. Miura to Mr. Franklin and which, according to a high S.M.C. official was "very politely worded," was a statement to the effect that the Japanese authorities were seriously perturbed at the prevalence of anti-Japanese outbursts in the Settlement, especially in the Chinese-owned newspapers. The note concluded with a request that all anti-Japanese propaganda and anti-Japanese newspapers in the Settlement areas should be suppressed.

No reply has been sent to the Japanese authorities in connection with the note, it was stated yesterday, although its contents are being studied by the members of the Council who are taking into consideration previous memoranda on the subject already received from the Japanese authorities in Shanghai.

Action Likely

The "North-China Daily News" was informed yesterday by an S.M.C. official that the question of anti-Japanese propaganda and anti-Japanese outbursts in the press has long been under consideration by Mr. Franklin and the members of the Council, who although not wishing to restrict the freedom of the press, were bound to take action against any newspaper outbursts or propaganda which would cause strife or bad feelings in Shanghai, it was stated. Action against such violent propaganda, whether anti-Japanese or not, would most likely come up for consideration in the immediate future.

Mr. Miura's note follows the despatch by Mr. Fu Siao-en, Mayor of the Greater Shanghai Special Municipality, of a protest to M. Baudez, French Consul-General, requesting that immediate steps be taken to arrest the assassins of Mr. Wang Hsien-ming, former officer of the Municipality administration, who was murdered in the French Concession on April 17.

Also contained in the note was a request that effective and suitable measures be adopted for the apprehension and control of political terrorists in the French Concession in order to prevent further crimes of a like nature in the future. A demand was also made that the French Concession police authorities should co-operate with the police of the Greater Municipality in searches for political terrorists in the French Concession.

The note was still being considered yesterday by the French authorities and no reply had been sent to Mayor Fu Siao-en, a "North-China Daily News" reporter was informed. Also being studied were previous notes sent by Mayor Fu on February 17 and March 10, it was stated.

Overseas Chinese Give Big Sum to Chungking

Chungking, Apr. 27.

Overseas Chinese contributed at least $100,000,000 to China's war chest between July, 1937 and February of this year, according to a spokesman of the National Overseas Affairs Commission today.

The Commission, he states, handled $68,500,000 of this sum. The largest portion is said to have come from Chinese in the Straits Settlement and the Netherland East Indies, where the Chinese population is comparatively large.

Of the total amount, Chinese in the Straits Settlement contributed $26,000,000, Java $7,000,000, Philippines $4,500,000, Sumatra $3,500,000, Burma $2,500,000, Great Britain $250,000, United States $2,787,000, Canada $1,238,000, Hawaii $400,000, Australia $375,000, New Zealand $534,000, according to the spokesman of the National Overseas Affairs Commission.—Reuter.

Premier of Eire Extends Visit to U.S.

New York, Apr. 27.

According to official quarters here, Mr. Eamon de Valera, Premier of Eire, will remain in the United States for two months on his forthcoming visit instead of two weeks. The extension will permit the Premier to reply to all the invitations he has received. Mrs. de Valera will arrive in New York on May 6.—Havas.

Latest Exchange

The closing Interbank selling rates yesterday were as follows:

Sterling 8 1/4d. U.S.$ 16 1/16c.

LONDON METALS AND N.Y. CROSS RATE

London, Apr. 27.

Both positions advanced 1/18d. today over yesterday's levels, with the quotations fixed as follow:

	Apr. 26	Apr. 27
London spot	20 1/16d.	20 3/16d.
,, forward	19 3/4d.	20d.
,, gold	148/6d.	148/6d.

London/New York:

One pound	U.S.$4.6813	$4.6813
One U.S. dollar	51.267d.	51.267d.

—Reuter.

Hospital Incident To Be Studied

Council Receive Detailed Report; Accident Victims Slowly Improving

A detailed report on the incident which occurred in the reception hall of the General Hospital on the evening of April 24, when Mr. A. H. Samson, Assistant Commissioner of the Shanghai Municipal Police, was struck by a lieutenant of the Japanese Navy Special Landing Party, was received by the Secretary-General of the Shanghai Municipal Council on Wednesday evening, the "North-China Daily News" was informed yesterday.

The report, together with statements of witnesses, was being studied yesterday by members of the Council and a protest is expected to be lodged with the Japanese authorities in the near future, it was stated. The incident, it will be recalled, occurred after Mrs. Lillie and Sergeant R. J. Wimsett of the S.M.P., had been admitted to hospital to be treated for serious injuries sustained during a motor car accident on Broadway when Mr. Bertram Lillie, Principal of the Lester School and Henry Lester Technical Institute, was killed.

Sergeant Wimsett's condition was stated to be satisfactory yesterday after having spent a good night's rest. Mrs. Lillie, also was reported to have improved considerably although neither of the two victims were in a condition to be questioned.

Immediate Passage of Conscript Bill Urged

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Finally, Mr. Chamberlain expressed the conviction that Parliament and the country would approve his interpretation of events. (Cheers from the majority benches).

The Government's decisions were made necessary, he said, by the enormous increase in the country's responsibilities following the guarantees to Poland, Greece and Rumania.

"It appeared to us more and more clearly that all efforts with a view to constructing a front against the idea of domination by force were compromised by these doubts," he concluded.

Institution of conscription in Britain, led Mr. Eamon de Valera, Prime Minister of Eire, to cancell his forthcoming trip to the United States.

Rush to Join "Terriers"

Following yesterday's announcement that all Britons aged twenty or under who would enlist in the Territorial Army before midnight would be exempted from compulsory military service, the recruiting offices were literally besieged with youths eager to sign up. The number of doctors available were insufficient, local doctors were called to examine recruits. Despite these measures many recruits were not examined. Sir John Anderson, Lord Privy Seal and Minister for Civilian Defence, announced in the House of Commons this morning that the Reserved Employments Bill, the beneficiaries of which could not participate up till now in the defence services, will be modified. The modification will include the elimination of 1,500,000 beneficiaries of the system.

"The schedule was carefully examined," Sir John stated, "and as a result amendments were made which will remove from the operation of the schedule in peace time 1,500,000 men. Of these, 630,000 under the age of 38 will give further recruitment to the Territorial Field Army. The remainder, aged between 38 and 60, will be available for anti-aircraft, coast, and civil defence."

Appeal to Ex-Servicemen

It is understood that members of the Territorial Army belonging to anti-aircraft units will be called up shortly. A War Office spokesman gave it to be understood that "if the anti-aircraft divisions are called up, it will also facilitate the training of conscripts many of whom will be attached to anti-aircraft units."

The War Office issued a communique announcing the new "National Defence Companies" bill. It declared that to ensure the defence of the Metropolis "it became obvious:

1. that home defence by regular troops or by territorials would divert these troops from other and more active duties for which they are required at the outset for any emergency;

2. that the personnel performing such duties must be ready to undertake them promptly at the commencement of any emergency. It is therefore decided to allot a definite role of home defence to national defence companies which are henceforth to be raised as a portion of the Territorial Army Reserve for home defence only. Uniforms, arms and equipment will be provided for all the N.D.C. personnel who will be required to perform a limited amount of training for which they will receive pay and allowances as in the Territorial Army. The opening of these companies to enlistment provides an excellent opportunity for the ex-Service officer or man who is too old for service in the field force or the anti-aircraft unit to do his bit. In this, they have the official support and encouragement of the British Legion who are supporting the scheme wholeheartedly."—Havas.

Irishmen as Conscripts

London, Apr. 27.

The Government of Eire was stated late last night by London political circles to have no intention to make difficulties against the calling to the colours under the new military conscription law of Irishmen living in England.

It is estimated that between 1932 and 1938 more than 220,000 men from South Ireland emigrated to England, 90 per cent. of whom are between nineteen and 45 years of age.—Trans-Ocean.

Ulster Nationalists Oppose

Belfast, Apr. 27.

The Ulster Nationalists are opposed to the establishment of conscription.

The Irish Union Association, the National Parliamentary Party, and the National League and Ancient Order of Hibernians, voted the following resolution today: "We affirm our uncompromising opposition to conscription. Our attitude is the same as in 1918. We call everyone in our country to come to our assistance in this matter. We request Mr. de Valera to initiate throughout Ireland a movement against conscription."—Havas.

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and without the shock to public confidence which would be caused by the issue of proclamations.

"Reserve and Auxiliary Forces"

Accordingly, the Government had decided at once to introduce a Bill entitled the "Reserve and Auxiliary Forces Bill," which would simplify the procedure, and enable the Government, by an Order in Council, to authorize the various service departments to call up any class or description of reserve and auxiliary forces.

The Bill would be temporary in character, and he hoped that it would be passed without delay, in order that the Government might be empowered to act under it at once.

Every country in Europe, the Premier stated, had powers which the Government sought under the Bill, and practically every one availed themselves of it at one time or another to effect a partial mobilization.

The Government had given consideration also to the new liabilities which, with the approval of all quarters of the House, they had incurred in Europe within the last month, and the means at their disposal to discharge them effectively.

The present procedure for mobilizing the forces of Great Britain was unsuited to modern conditions, as it was based upon the hypothesis that war could come only after a period of warning giving time to change from a peace to a war footing.

The introduction of the new system still left the voluntary system as the basis for the three defence services. It was of the utmost importance that the regular and auxiliary forces should be maintained at full strength.

Care in Fixing Prices

Explaining further steps to limit profits from rearmament, Mr. Chamberlain said that the greatest care had already been exercised in fixing prices to ensure that only a reasonable profit was made, but experience showed the difficulty of providing for all possible contingencies beforehand. It was felt that a definite limitation of profits was the only method of achieving the desired object with certainty.

He wished to make it clear that when the country was engaged in a major war was not the time when individuals should be increasing their fortunes out of conditions which war created. It was therefore the Government's intention, if war broke out, that legislation be enacted imposing special penalties on profiteering, and providing that any increases in profits, or increases of individual wealth, should be appropriately curtailed to the benefit of the State.

These proposals for marshalling Britain's defences were designed with one single object—namely, to enable the country to carry out its engagements in the belief that in that way, peace in Europe would best be secured.

Breaking of Pledge Alleged

Loud Opposition cheers greeted Mr. C. R. Attlee, the Leader of the Labour Opposition, when he asked Mr. Chamberlain whether he was aware that the Government, by its decision, had "broken a pledge solemnly given, and reaffirmed only four weeks ago."

So far from strengthening the country, Mr. Attlee continued, it would show division in its ranks, and would meet with strenuous opposition (further loud Opposition cheers, and cries of "Resign, Chamberlain").

"My own conscience is perfectly clear," stated Mr. Chamberlain in reply, amid cheers and counter-cheers. "I believe that when the people have had time to consider the circumstances in which we have lived, they will agree that they cannot be described as 'peace-time circumstances'."

Replying to further questions from Mr. Attlee, Mr. Chamberlain indicated that the House would be given an opportunity to debate the subject tomorrow.

Asked by Sir Archibald Sinclair, the Liberal Leader, for an explanation why there had been no consultations with the Opposition or representatives of organized labour before the pledge was revised, if not abandoned, Mr. Chamberlain assured Sir Archibald that if he did not consult him, this was not out of any intention of discourtesy or neglect, but because events moved so swiftly these days.

Referendum Requested

In their opinion, many things had to be considered, and there was no time to do more than consult Mr. Attlee that morning, in addition to members of the Trades Union Council.

Mr. J. McGovern, I.L.P. member for the Shettleston Division of Glasgow, asked the Premier whether he would submit his conscription proposals to a referendum, or to a general election.

Mr. James Maxton, Labour member for the Bridgeton Division of Glasgow, asked what changes had taken place during the last three or four days that had made the Government rush into a decision.

Mr. Campbell Stephen, I.L.P. member for the Camlachie Division of Glasgow, asked, since the Premier had adopted 'bit by bit' the policy laid down by Mr. Winston Churchill, "does he not think, in decency, that he should get out, and let Mr. Churchill in?"—Reuter.

U.S. Enriched by 400 Scientists, Artists

Hearty Welcome Expressed By Minister of Interior

New York, Apr. 26.

Refugee German scientists, artists and writers now sheltering in the United States are "thrice welcome as kindred beings," declared Mr. Harold L. Ickes, Secretary of the Interior, speaking at a dinner given by the American Guild of German Cultural Freedom here tonight.

He stated that the United States had been enriched with some 400 such refugees. He alluded to them as men who had seen in their homelands "the devastating results that follow the assassination of character, the murder of culture, the strangulation of spirit, and even the torture of human beings."

Mr. Ickes added that the bright ray of freedom will again pierce the lowering clouds in due course, even in totalitarian States in Europe.

Alluding to "certain" European countries, he said: "I submit they, over there, debase truth and degrade the known history of man."—Reuter.

Robbers Arrested In Shooting

Gangs Thwarted in Armed Crimes in Settlement by Police Patrols

One robber was shot dead, two others were arrested near the scene of crime and 12 suspects were taken into custody in two attempted armed robberies committed in the French Concession and Settlement yesterday. In two other armed hold-ups the men escaped with cash and jewellery amounting to $1,140.

The man who was killed by the police was one of the three men who attempted to victimize the residence of Mr. Chu Heng-yi, a truck hong manager at 11 Moji Road, near Penang Road at 7.45 p.m. Officers of Gordon Road Police Station carried out their duties so efficiently that when they arrived at the residence the men were trying to force the inmates to surrender cash and other valuables.

The men tried to escape but the officers opened fire, killing one of them outright. It was believed that two of the men were armed and that during the exchange of fire the police fired about 15 shots. A man slightly wounded in the leg near the scene of shooting and held as a suspect was taken to the Red Cross Hospital.

Two robbers were caught by the French police in another attempted robbery committed at about 1.20 p.m. in a Chinese residence at 5 Zee Woh Fong off Route Stanislas Chevalier. Four men three of whom were armed broke into the house, but before they could lay their hands on anything valuable neighbours raised an alarm by shouting. The men took to their heels, firing several shots by way of intimidation. A Chinese constable stationed at Avenue Joffre saw them running and he took up chase, which later resulted in two of the men being arrested.

Through their alleged confession and by co-operating with the Louza police later, the French police were able to arrest 11 suspects in two rooms in the Oriental Hotel, Nanking Road. In the two rooms, all on the third floor, the officers first arrested three persons, two of whom said that they had just arrived from the country. The third, though not identified by the intended victim, was alleged to have been in the hands of the police two years ago, being found in possession of seven pistols. After the arrest of the trio most of the officers left leaving a few detectives on guard. Eight other men were seen going into the two raided hotel rooms and were caught.

A rice shop at 443 Robison Road was visited by three robbers last night at about 6.50 o'clock. After silencing all shop assistants with a pistol carried by one of them, the men searched and finally escaped with $140. Yesterday morning at about 6 o'clock four men, two armed, broke into a residence at House No. 51 Lane 424 Avenue Foch and after applying usual methods of intimidation they stole cash and jewellery amounting to $1,000 and escaped.

Britain Willing to Join Any World Parleys

Mr. Chamberlain Says U.S. Invitation Not Received

London, Apr. 26.

Answering a question on whether the Government had accepted President Roosevelt's invitation to participate in world conferences, and whether it remained the policy of the Government to discuss all outstanding questions between it and the German Government as a part of a general settlement, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain said:

"Although His Majesty's Government has not received a specific invitation from the President of the United States, it has made it clear that it would warmly welcome his initiative and certainly be ready and willing to participate in any such conference."

Replying to the second part of the question, Mr. Chamberlain stated: "His Majesty's Government will be ready to take part in any discussions with the German Government with the view to a general settlement, whenever it feels that such a discussion would be welcomed and is likely to have useful effects."—Wireless through Reuter.

Britain Bound to Other European Nations

Mr. Hore-Belisha States Duty in Conscription

London, Apr. 27.

The fate of Great Britain is bound to that of other European nations, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, the Secretary for War, stated in a speech at the Constitutional Club today.

"To those who would regard conscription as an infringement upon individual liberty, I would say that the liberty of the nation as a whole cannot be sacrificed because some of its citizens so value their own liberty that they won't combine to defend it."—Havas.

Mining Catastrophe In Hokkaido

Tokyo, Apr. 27.

A serious mining catastrophe resulting from an explosion underground has occurred in a great coal mine at Yubari south-east of Iwamisawa in Hokkaido, state reports from the scene of disaster. Certain mineshafts collapsed burying more than 1,200 miners. Rescue work, started immediately, has so far resulted in the saving of 160 workers.—Trans-Ocean.

Trade Union Congress In U.S. Postponed

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 26.

The General Council of the Trades Union Congress has endorsed the decision to postpone the executive meeting of the International Federation of Trade Unions in the United States during May until the autumn. This decision was taken in view of international uncertainties.—Reuter.

German Plane Breaks World Record

Berlin, Apr. 27.

Reaching a speed of 755 kilometres per hour, a German Messerschmitt pursuit plane, piloted by Fritz Wendel, today broke the world speed record for planes. The former record was also held by a Messerschmitt plane with a speed of 746 kilometres per hour.

Field Marshal Hermann Goering, Air Minister, has promoted Wendel to the rank of Captain in the Air Force, and sent a telegram of congratulations to Professor Messerschmitt, the constructor of the machine. Wendel stated that at times his speedometer needle pointed to the 782 kilometres per hour mark.—Havas.

THE CINEMA

"Girls' School"

Natalie Freeman	Anne Shirley
Linda Simpson	Nan Grey
Michael Hendragin	Ralph Bellamy
Betty Fleet	Dorothy Moore
Miss Laurel	Gloria Holden
Miss Armstrong	Marjorie Main
Gwennie	Margaret Tallichet
Myra	Peggy Moran
Edgar	Kenneth Howell
George	Noah Beery Jr.
The Duchess	Cecil Cunningham
Mr. Simpson	Pierre Watkin
Mrs. Simpson	Doris Kenyon
Miss Brackett	Heather Thatcher
Lady MacBeth	Virginia Howell

"Girls' School," which opened yesterday afternoon at the Metropol Theatre, depicted in a highly-entertaining manner a day in the life of a school for girls. Not only was the picture enlivened with its cast of beautiful young performers, but such scenes as the school with its modern facilities for recreation, helped in no small way towards the freshness of the whole performance.

Heading this juvenile cast are the Misses Anne Shirley and Nan Grey both performing their characters outstandingly. The former was perfect in her role as the suffering schools' monitat, who hates her job of reporting the misdoings of the other girls and bravely taking all the insults that comes from them, among which she has not a solitary friend. The latter was at her best in the role of the girl hero who is caught staying out all night and who is to be expelled as an example to the rest of the school. The way in which all things are straightened out for all parties concerned provides a thorough good entertainment and is worth being placed on the "must" list for the week-end.

Preceding the main entertainment are "Screen Snapshots" and a comedy starring Charlie Chase in "Mind Mending" which practically brought down the house with laughter.—G.B.

"Love Finds Andy Hardy"

Judge James Hardy	Lewis Stone
Andrew Hardy	Mickey Rooney
Betsy	Judy Garland
Marian Hardy	Cecilia Parker
Mrs. Hardy	Fay Holden
Polly Benedict	Ann Rutherford
Aunt Milly	Betty Ross Clarke
Cynthia	Lana Turner
Augusta	Marie Blake
Dennis Hunt	Don Castle
Jimmy MacMahon	Gene Reynolds
Mrs. Tompkins	Mary Howard
"Beezy"	George Breakston
Peter Dugan	Raymond Hatton

What really delightful people the members of Judge Hardy's family are: In the fourth of the Hardy series, "Love Finds Andy Hardy," now being screened at the Nanking Theatre, a most human story of youth with all its ambition, carefree happiness and calf-love is skilfully unfolded to relate in the most pleasing manner how young Andrew, the Judge's likeable son, gets into one scrape after another in his tireless endeavours to win the approval and smiles of the winsome Polly, his well-to-do neighbour. Mickey Rooney's acting improves with every film and it is a tonic to watch this young man enacting all the phases of those years between thirteen and fifteen that even the most cynical of cinema-goers will recall with pleasant memories. The picture is quite the best of the series yet seen locally, the paternal pose of Mr. Stone, the sisterly poise of Miss Parker, the admirable singing of Miss Garland and the "homey" settings all assisting in making two hours' rollicking entertainment for both old and young.—J.A.K.

"The Oklahoma Kid"

James Cagney as Jim Kincaid 'The Oklahoma Kid'

Whip McCord	Humphrey Bogart
Jane Hardwick	Rosemary Lane
Judge Hardwick	Donald Crisp
Ned Kincaid	Harvey Stephens
John Kincaid	Hugh Sothern
Alec Martin	Charles Middleton
Doolin	Edward Pawley
Wes Handley	Ward Bond
Curley	Lew Harvey
Indian Jack Pasco	Trevor Bardette
Ringo	John Miljan
Judge Morgan	Arthur Aylesworth
Hotel Clerk	Irving Bacon
Keely	Joe Devlin
Sheriff	Wake Boteler
"Whizzer"	Cagney's Horse

Crooning lullabies to a baby one minute and killing his enemies with a smile a moment later, Mr. James Cagney plays the title role in striking fashion at the Grand Theatre. The picture is a "western" in the traditional sense but dressed up considerably and strengthened by the presence of a number of high-priced actors. The inevitable "western" scenes are there: bar-room brawls, riding recklessly across the range, leering bad men and a hero to the rescue. But all these scenes are woven together smoothly in this picture and the quality of the acting lifts it above the ordinary as might be expected with Mr. Humphrey Bogart there as Bad Man No. 1, looking more vicious than ever. "The Kid" lawless and likeable as all the famous outlaws of the old pioneer days have become by now (regardless of their actual vices), is as dynamic as Mr. Cagney can make him. He tracks and shoots down the men who lynched his father with ruthless determination, in one case blowing contemptuously into the hot muzzle of his gun while his victim dies squirming. About the only thing that is not menacing, or at least hard, is Miss Rosemary Lane as the hero's reward. She hovers sweetly about these bold men of action, murmuring sympathetically. The climax too, follows tradition. Supplied with ample incentive to do violence, with his father hung and his brother shot, "The Kid" finally breaks through to Bad Man No. 1 and the rough and tumble fight which follows, omits nothing. On the whole, it's a satisfying picture for anyone in a savage mood.—S.R.R.

H.M.S. Repulse Not to Leave for Canada

Their Majesties Will Go In C.P.R. Liner

London, Apr. 27.

Their Majesties will travel to Canada on board the C.P.R.s.s. Empress of Australia, the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, announced in the House of Commons this morning.

The King and Queen were to travel in the battle-cruiser, H.M.S. Repulse, but the international situation made it necessary for the warship to remain in European waters.

"Upon further consideration, it has been thought preferable that H.M.S. Repulse should remain in European waters," the Prime Minister stated. Arrangements have already been made that a liner should be available. It has been decided that Their Majesties will proceed to Canada in the Empress of Australia accompanied by warships.'

Well-informed circles understand that His Majesty himself suggested two months ago that the battle-cruiser remain in British waters, and a liner be placed at his disposal for the trip.

Five State Councillors will be appointed shortly to take over the State duties of King George during his trip to America. Through a quirk in the Constitution, Her Majesty, although taking part in the trip herself, will become a member of the State Council. The other members will be the Duke of Gloucester, the Duke of Kent, the Princess Royal, and Princess Arthur of Connaught.—Havas.

Rear-Adm. Murray on Way to Hongkong

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, Apr. 28.

Rear-Admiral Murray of the Fifth Cruiser Squadron, embarked today at Marseilles in the P. & O. ss. Ranpura on his way to Hongkong.

Colonel Simmons, Officer newly appointed Officer Commanding British Forces in the Shanghai Area, is a passenger in the ss. Sarpedon due in Shanghai on May 25.

Provisional Government Calls Conference

Peiping, Apr. 27.

For the purpose of increasing administrative efficiency, the Ministry of the Interior of the "Provisional Government" is calling a civil affairs conference from May 20 to 22. Mr. Wang Yi-tang, Minister of the Interior, high officials of the Ministry, various provincial civil commissioners, directors of social welfare bureau of special municipalities and mayors of ordinary municipalities will all attend.

The conference will consider measures to maintain peace and order in various places and to increase the efficiency of the administrative machinery.—Reuter.

Japanese to Try to Raise Capital in N. China

Peiping, Apr. 27.

Japanese business interests will shortly raise $10,000,000 for the establishment of a North China Cement Company, with head office in Peiping, according to a Chinese press report. The projected company will aim at an annual production of 1,000,000 tons. A factory will be opened near Peiping. A similar company may be opened in Tsinan to supply the cement needs of that locality. The largest existing cement company in North China is the Chi Hsin Company at Tangshan. It has a capital of $14,000,000 and produces 1,560,000 barrels of cement a year.—Reuter.

For the second time in as many weeks, engineers in Shimonoseki celebrated the completion of a pilot bore for tunnels under the Kwanmon Straits, separating Kyushu from Honshu, the main Japanese island. With a muffled roar, the last barrier separating two sections of a two-meter wide pilot bore of a state highway tunnel which will link the two islands was blasted away at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning. Running parallel to the Railway Ministry's railway tunnel, the test bore of which was completed recently, the new undersea gallery had been under construction for almost two years.

Democracies Hail British Move

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The Press describes the decision as a "feeble threat, which fails to impress Germany."—Reuter.

Rome Greatly Impressed

Rome, Apr. 26.

The announcement of Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the British Prime Minister, regarding conscription has had a tremendous psychological effect upon Italian political circles. It is regarded as the equivalent of an "internal revolution" in British politics.

Sir Noel Charles, the British Chargé d'Affaires in Rome, saw Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, this morning, and informed him of the decision. Great satisfaction is felt at the fact that the decision was conveyed in advance both to Rome and Berlin.

Military circles regard the conscription measure as a "colossal increase in the strength of the Anglo-French bloc."—Reuter.

General Support in Canada

Ottawa, Apr. 27.

The establishment of conscription in Great Britain is generally greeted favourably in political quarters here. The principle of instituting conscription in Canada is being discussed at present. Circles of imperialistic tendencies favour the decision, while the Western provinces and Quebec are vigorously opposed to it.—Havas.

Japanese Press Views

Tokyo, Apr. 27.

The decision of the British Government to enforce compulsory military service has attracted widespread attention here.

The "Japan Advertiser" says that British determination to cope drastically with the present European crisis, if need be, is being increasingly demonstrated, but in no way more strikingly than by the introduction in Parliament of a Bill providing for the compulsory training of youths, which, it says, has been timed as a warning to Herr Hitler in advance of his speech to be made on April 28, that any further threats to European peace will be met with grave determination.

The "Asahi Shimbun" believes the British decision will invite far-reachng reaction in Europe, though it is sceptical regarding "the efficiency of three-quarters of a million of troops trained for only a few months." Saying that Britain has resorted to action in response to France, the "Asahi Shimbun" declares that enforcement of compulsory military service will certainly give France and other countries a sense of security, to some extent.

Britain's action is regretted by the "Hochi Shimbun," which declares that "it will proved to be a factor aggravating the tense European situation instead of easing it." The British action, the paper says, will serve as a signal for further cleavage between the Axis Powers and the Democracies of Europe. "In planning the encirclement of Germany, and now enforcing compulsory military service, Britain," the "Hochi" proceeds, "can never be called a peace-loving nation."

Germany will possibly find herself unable to enter into peaceful negotiations with Britain, no matter how much she loves peace, the "Yomiuri Shimbun" declares, unless Britain abandons her "intimidation."—Reuter.

Italian Press Sarcastic

Rome, Apr. 27.

Great Britain's conscription is the subject of sarcastic comment in the "Popolo D'Italia" today.

"It is a measure," the newspaper says, "adopted under pressure from France. If British conscription is meant to have an effect on Italy, Germany and on the other nations of which London and Paris declare themselves the champions, this calculation will fail completely."—Reuter.

Germany Sends Query To Vatican City

Berlin, Apr. 27.

The Reich has asked the Vatican whether Germany's present attitude in any way affects the German Concordat. The question was put to the Vatican through the Papal Nuncio in Berlin, Mgr. Cesare Orsenigo. Herr Hitler is expected to refer to the Vatican's reply in his address tomorrow.—Havas.

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FROM DAY TO DAY

FUEHRER Adolf Hitler sent a telegram of best wishes on Wednesday to Emperor Hirohito of Japan, who will be celebrating his 38th birthday on April 29.

THE Young People's Sacred concert group will give its second monthly broadcast over XMHD at 8 p.m., on Sunday. A varied programme has been prepared which promises to bring real interest.

REFUGEE camps along the principal highways in Kwangtung, will shortly be established by the provincial authorities, says a Hongkong report to the "Wen Wei Pao." The camps will be built about 60 li from one another.

POPE Pius XII will hold a Consistory in the first half of May to appoint a new Cardinal Camerlengo of the Holy Church and create several Cardinals. Owing to recent deaths the number of Cardinals has been reduced to 50, including 32 Italians.

THIRTY prints of a two-reel film entitled "Hankow," depicting the activities of Japanese forces at the front and the reconstruction work in the Wuhan area after its occupation, will be sent to Japanese communities in all parts of the world, it was announced in Tokyo.

THE next meeting of the Missionary Association will be held on May 1 at the China Inland Mission, 1531 Sinza Road, 5.15 to 7 p.m. The speaker will be Baroness von Boetzelaer van Dubbeldam, vice-chairman of the International Missionary Council.

OWING to a magnetic tempest reported in the Arctic Circle regions, M. Vladimir Kokkinaki, the Soviet airman, was forced to postpone his take-off for New York. He intended to fly via Iceland and Greenland. He will begin his flight when weather conditions improve.

DR. Frantisek Chvalkovsky, former Czecho-Slovak Foreign Minister, has been appointed by President Hacha as Minister of the Protectorate of Bohemia and Moravia in Berlin, it was officially announced. Dr. Chvalkovsky will arrive in Berlin to take over his new duties within the next few days.

To study industrial conditions in Shanghai, Tsingtao, Tientsin, Peiping, Kalgan, and Paotow, a six-member party of the Tokyo Chamber of Commerce and Industry, headed by Mr. Tatsu Mizuguchi, has left for Kobe, where they will embark for China in the Tatuta Maru. They will return to Japan about May 20.

THE population in Kunming is estimated at 194,885 persons, including 520 foreign residents, according to the latest government Census returns, says a Chinese message to the "Chinese American Daily News." This shows a slight decline as compared with the Census taken in last July, the report adds.

THE first general meeting of the newly established Provisional Political Council of the Kweichow Provincial Government will be held in Kweiyang, the provincial capital, between May 1 and 15, says a Chinese message to the "Shun Pao." Members of the Council have been instructed to enrol themselves not later than April 26, the report adds.

A PROMISING improvement in relations between the Vatican and the German Reich is observed by the Turin paper "La Stampa." The correct attitude of Italy during the Conclave, the victory of General Franco and the large increase of the Catholic population of Greater Germany might have beneficial effects, the paper says.

BRINGING into fruition his idea of establishing a technological and engineering university near Tokyo with Y.8,000,000 out of his savings during the past 40 years, Mr. Ginjiro Fujiwara, 74 year-old retired chairman of a paper manufacturing company, on Wednesday published his concrete plan. Formal lessons will be opened in the Keio University buildings around June 17.

THE noted Chinese aviatrix, Miss Lee Ya-ching, was the surprised possessor of a Paramount motion picture contract today for a feature role with Miss Dorothy Lamour in the picture "Disputed Passage." Miss Lee was awarded a contract after Paramount executives saw her pictures in newspapers and offered her a film test. She said she had no idea the test would prove successful.

MEMBERS of the British Women's Association and their friends are reminded of the Sale of Work arranged by the Needlecraft Section which will take place at Headquarters on Saturday, April 29 from 9 to noon and all day on Monday, May 1. Besides woollies and other useful articles there will be home-made pickles and jams which are always very popular. So come early.

TEN representatives of the "Tibetan Priests Anti-Japanese Comfort Corps," arrived in Chengtu on April 25, and will leave shortly for Chungking to present flags to the Central Government and General Chiang Kai-shek as a token of respect, says a Chinese message to the "Sin Wan Pao." The Tibetan representatives, it is learned, have brought with them a sum of $5,000, which will be donated as a gift to the Chinese troops, the report adds.

A TELEGRAM was received yesterday by Mr. S. A. R. Kazerooni, secretary of the Iranian Residents' Association of China, acknowledging receipt of a note of congratulation cabled to His Imperial Highness The Crown Prince of Iran on the occasion of his wedding. The text of the telegram read as follows: "Congratulations that you had telegraphed on behalf of the Iranian residents of China to his Imperial Highness the Crown Prince, have been received with Pleasure."

THIRTY-nine members of the Japanese House of Representatives will be sent abroad on various missions during the current year, following a decision reached in a meeting of representatives of all Japanese political parties. Three members will be sent to the International Parliamentarian's Conference at Oslo, Norway, on August 15; eight on an inspection tour of Manchoukuo, where they will visit border troops; eight to Siam on a goodwill mission; and twenty, divided into four groups, will make inspection trips to North, Central, and South China.

Malta and Knights Of St. John

Comdr. Skyrme's Magnetic Address on Island to Members of R.A.S.

The Royal Asiatic Society devoted last night to a lecture on Malta and the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem by Commander F. H. E. Skyrme (late R.N.). He divided the subject into the story of the prehistoric interests of the Island, the history of the Knights of St. John, and then their joint history from 1530 onwards when the Knights came to Malta.

The story of prehistoric Malta went back to the time when the Mediterranean was a series of fresh water lakes and Italy and Malta formed part of a bridge joining Europe to Africa. There was abundant proof of this from animal remains. There was also a record of Neanderthal man whose period in Europe was roughly 40,000 to 20,000 B.C.

So the story of Malta could be traced through the various occupations of the Island by Phoenicians, Romans, Saracens, Normans, Suabians, Angevines, Aragonese and Castilians, to 1530 when it was handed to the Knights by Charles V.

The story of the Knights went back to 1085 in Jerusalem. A hospice was founded by Benedictine Monks to care for pilgrims to the Holy Places and rendered service to the Army of the First Crusade of 1096 and was taken under the Army's protection. Knights were appointed to protect the hospice and for some years it carried on its purely eleemosynary work.

Assumes Military Character

Gradually, however, the administration changed to a military character until it was organized as an Order and became a potent force to champion the Cross against the Crescent.

The Christians were driven out of Palestine by Saladin, Sultan of Egypt, in 1291, and the Order of St. John established itself in Rhodes which it fortified and held against the infidels for two hundred years, thus checking the Ottoman Empire from becoming a first class naval power and overrunning the Old World.

Then Suleiman the Magnificent completed his Hungarian campaign with the capture of Belgrade in 1522 and turned his attention to Rhodes. The whole might of the Ottoman Empire was directed against the Order and in 1523 the Knights were forced to capitulate.

After many vicissitudes they, at the instigation of the Pope who destined the Order as a bulwark against the Turks, settled in Malta. From 1530, the story of the Knights and the story of Malta went hand in hand until they were betrayed by Grand Master Hompesch to the French in 1798. That was why the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem were often known as the Knights of Malta and the Maltese Cross came to be called so.

The French rule lasted a very short time and was so abhorrent to the Maltese that they rose and besieged the French in the Island. Admiral Nelson's Fleet was cruising in the Mediterranean and he offered help to the Maltese. It was accepted, the French were defeated and when Admiral Nelson visited Malta in 1800 it was at the request of the Maltese that it was placed under British protection.

A Shanghai Trumpeter Passes

Mr. Hugh Moreton and His Family Leave for England

Readers of the "North-China" have often been curious to know the origin of the Scriptural texts and comments which have appeared in its advertisement columns for so many years. Mr. Hugh Moreton, of the Shanghai Free Christian Church, was inspired to adopt this method of propagating the Gospel, and many, not only of his friends, but others who have read with interest the Biblical quotations so unexpectedly appearing among advertisements of rubber company meetings and business announcements, will learn with genuine regret that he left yesterday in the Conte Biancamano on retirement.

Mr. Moreton came to Shanghai thirty years ago to join Messrs. Weeks & Co., Ltd., but for the past fourteen years has been in the accounting department of the Shanghai Power Co., from which he has retired on reaching the normal age limit. Shortly after his arrival in Shanghai, Mr. Moreton joined the Artillery, S.V.C., and for many years was an efficient trumpeter of that unit. Marriage came and with it regeneration and different interests, until Mr. Moreton became an elder and frequent speaker in a little church in North Szechuen Road, a church in passing which as a volunteer trumpeter he often found excuse to sound a call for the benefit of the startled congregation.

A son and daughter engaged in religious work at home will welcome Mr. and Mrs. Moreton and their two younger children on arrival in England.

Italian Marines Aid Fire Brigade

Crowd Controlled During Western Area Outbreak

In order to aid members of the Shanghai Municipal Fire Brigade, who were being hampered by a large crowd of Chinese, during a fire which destroyed the Wusih Theatre near the corner of Kiaochow and Robison Roads at 3 a.m. yesterday, a detachment of Italian Marines turned out from their barracks in the neighbourhood and maintained order while the firefighters were attacking the flames.

Seven Chinese houses were badly damaged during the blaze, which occurred in "Ta Tao" territory, and one Chinese woman was injured when she fell down a staircase in an attempt to reach safety from her home which had caught alight.

Owing to the position of the theatre and the houses, many hundreds of yards of hose had to be laid from hydrants on Muncipal Roads through various Chinese squatter huts and factory sites, this considerably hampering the work of the firemen.

Five engines from the Ichang Roads and Bubbling Well Stations attended the blaze, which was brought under control after 35 minutes' work. They were not able to leave, however, until two hours later when all danger had passed.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Waiting for Free Inoculation

Large crowds are attending the S.M.C. Health Department branches for free cholera inoculation. Here is a scene outside the office in Hankow Road.

Japan's Ambitions Must Be Curbed

Chinese-Korean League Leader Gives Views in Neutrality Law Inquiry

Washington, Apr. 27.

Mr. Kilsook Kaan, head of the Chinese-Korean Peoples League of Honolulu, yesterday urged the House Foreign Affairs Committee at a hearing on proposed revision of the neutrality law to support the Thomas Amendment calling for an embargo on U.S. war materials to Japan.

He also urged that the United States should fortify Guam. When this is done, he said, "fear of war in the Pacific will be a passing fancy and the threat to Hawaii, Alaska and the Panama Canal will be eliminated for a long period."

The passage of the Thomas Amendment would demoralize the Japanese and strengthen the morale of Chinese, Koreans and liberal Japanese, he declared. The Thomas Amendment, he said, would provide Oriental goodwill which would pave the way to the greatest United States prosperity, revitalizing Pacific commerce. He warned that an expanding Japan threatened the western hemispheres.

Japanese Ambitions Cited

Mr. Kaan also quoted the former Japanese Consul-General at Honolulu, Mr. Toyokichi Fukuma, as saying, "American Congress is very smart to agree not to agree with the President. In a few more years, Japan will clean up all American business in China. You see, Congress wants peace, peace, all the time peace. Japan wants peace too." Mr. Fukuma, however, spelled it "piece," Mr. Kaan said, and the committeemen roared with laughter.

The Chinese-Korean League chief also quoted Mr. Iizuka, former staff member of the Information Bureau of the Japanese Foreign Office, as predicting that by 1940 Japan would control all of North China, Mongolia and Manchuria and in five years more would be ready to ask the United States to admit Japanese immigrants.

"If America does not allow this, at least we can have Alaska, Hawaii and Samoa," Mr. Iizuka said, Mr. Kaan alleged.

Miss Thompson's View

Miss Dorothy Thompson, prominent American newspaper columnist and former foreign correspondent, yesterday urged the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to repeal existing neutrality laws so that the United States may have maximum freedom for military, legislative and diplomatic action in foreign affairs.

She said disregard for world affairs by the United States would be "an open invitation to aggression. I do not think the existing neutrality is neutral."

Mr. Ralph Emerson, legislative representative of the Congress of Industrial Organizations, said American seamen "strongly favour an embargo against trade with Japan because it is sickening to go through west coast picket lines of little Chinese children who plead with us not to load scrap iron for Japan."—United Press.

Shipping Contact in War Time

Washington, Apr. 26.

In a conference with officials of the State Department, Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, today discussed a scheme to authorize continued American steamship service with ports of the British and French empires even in time of war.

The present Neutrality Act provides for the cessation of arms transport to belligerent nations upon outbreak of hostilities. The projected amendment would permit American vessels to transport arms to those parts of the empires of the belligerent nations which were not in danger zones.—Havas.

Business School for Japanese Girls Here

To assist Japanese girls who cannot enter the Girls' High School in Shanghai, the Japanese Residents' Corporation is contemplating the establishment of a girls' business school here, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reported Wednesday evening.

Concentrating its efforts on the instruction of Japanese girls of the middle class in subjects which will help them in business after their graduation, the projected institution will offer a three-year course, the Japanese daily stated.

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OBITUARY

Mr. A. A. Brady

The death is reported with regret of Mr. Andrew A. Brady, well-known member of the Shanghai Stock Exchange, who has resided in Shanghai since 1901. Mr. Brady, who was 62 years of age, passed away yesterday morning at his home, 910 Rue De Zikawei. He is survived by his wife Mrs. Agnes Brady.

Mr. Brady was long a popular figure in Shanghai society. In his earlier days he was an enthusiastic

Mr. A. A. Brady

Volunteer and Fireman, and was a member of the Light Horse S. V. C. and the Victoria Fire Brigade. He was also interested in amateur acting and took part in many of the A. D. C. productions prior to the Great War. Of late the deceased had been actively interested in lawn bowls and was one of the most active of the Country Club's members in this sport.

Ran Away to Sea

Born in Ballyconnell, Co. Cavan, Ireland, Mr. Brady ran away to sea at the age of 15. After spending a number of years on a sailing vessel, he came to Shanghai in 1901 where he joined the Shanghai Dock & Engineering Co., Ltd. After a number of years spent with this company, he left to join the staff of the Vacuum Oil Company where he rose to the position of assistant manager of the Shanghai office.

Desiring to start a business of his own, however, Mr. Brady left the company and established an auctioneering firm under the name of Brady's Ltd. He was soon invited to join the firm of Noel, Murray & Co., and in a comparatively short time was made a partner in the firm after having done much to develop the sharebroking side of the firm's activities. Upon the company's decision to give up this branch of their business Mr. Brady started on his own account as a sharebroker.

Long Member of Exchange

The deceased had been a member of the Shanghai Stock Exchange since 1910. He was chairman during 1929 and 1930, a very critical period in the history of the exchange, and his work on behalf of the Exchange at that time proved of especial value.

Mr. Brady was married to Agnes Grace, daughter of Mr. Henry O'Shea, a prominent Shanghai journalist, in 1914. He is also survived by his brother, Mr. Hugh Brady, who is head of the crime reporting department of the London "Daily Mail."

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Rosenfeld Death Judged Suicide

Mr. N. E. Lurton, U. S. Coroner, Holds Inquest on Fur-Dealer's Death

A verdict of death caused by a self-inflicted gunshot wound was returned by Mr. N. E. Lurton, U. S. Coroner, at the inquest held yesterday morning concerning the death of Mr. J. Rosenfeld, American fur-dealer, who was found dead in his office at 331 Museum Road on the morning of April 24.

The first witness to be called was Dr. I. G. Anderson, who told the coroner that he was summoned to the office of the deceased at about 9.15 a.m., April 24. He found Mr. Rosenfeld lying face down on the floor with his head towards the door. A superficial examination revealed that the body had been pierced by a bullet through the upper abdomen. There was a small wound near the spine made by the bullet as it left the body. Dr. Anderson estimated that Mr. Rosenfeld had been dead for about one and a half hours at the time of examination.

Mr. Lurton then called Dr. A. Korosi. The witness said that he had been acquainted with the deceased and that he knew that Mr. Rosenfeld had had financial difficulties.

Rifle Beside Body

Det. Sub-Insp. F. W. Guess, who was next called, related that he had arrived at Mr. Rosenfeld's office at 8.30 a.m., where he found the deceased lying on the floor with a service rifle at his left side. The detective noted that there were powder burns on the shirt and waistcoat of the body, which evidence pointed to the fact that a bullet fired at close range had entered the body from the front. A wire had been attached to the trigger of the rifle in such a manner that the victim could have pulled it after he had placed the muzzle of the rifle against his abdomen. The detective found a letter on a desk in the room asking that Dr. Korosi be summoned and directing the reader to a further number of letters contained in the inside breast pocket of the victim's coat. Mr. Guess removed seven letters, sealed and addressed to various friends and relatives.

Insp. R. J. White, when called to testify, stated that at 8.30 on the morning of April 24 he received a telephone call from a Chinese requesting that an ambulance be sent to 331 Museum Road as a foreigner had been injured. Inspector White and Inspector M. Lawman, after summoning an ambulance, immediately proceeded to the address given, where they found Mr. Rosenfeld as already described. At the time of their arrival the body was still somewhat warm.

Victim in Financial Difficulty

Mr. A. Sator, a Hungarian, when called upon by the coroner, said that he had known the deceased for some time as he had financed Mr. Rosenfeld's business. After identifying letters shown him by Mr. Gordon Campbell, U.S. Marshal, as having been written by the deceased, Mr. Sator stated that he had known that Mr. Rosenfeld was having financial difficulties. The witness also revealed that Mr. Rosenfeld had written in a letter left to his business associate that he did not wish to continue living in his present circumstances.

The Chinese coolie who first discovered the body told the coroner he had seen Mr. Rosenfeld in the corridor outside his office at about 7.45 a.m. on the day in question. A short while after, the coolie heard a shot fired close by, and in company with another Chinese employed in the building, he left his employer's office to find out what had happened. Hearing moans from Mr. Rosenfeld's office, the two looked inside, and when they saw that a foreigner was lying on the floor, they immediately made known their discovery and then tried to find the dead man's tea boy.

The last person to testify was Mr. Gordon Campbell, U.S. Marshal, who told Mr. Lurton that he had found the body in the position described by Dr. Anderson and Det. Guess. Mr. Gordon added that the victim's coat had been raised at the back and that blood was to be seen about the wound caused by the bullet as it had left the body. The Marshal stated that some of the letters left by the deceased were in his possession, but the Coroner did not think it necessary that they be read.

Japanese Discrimination Against Powers

Sendai, Apr. 27.

Culminating in the unanimous adoption of resolutions emphasizing the urgent necessity of excluding from China those foreign Powers who extend assistance to the regime of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek, a two-day session of the Eighth National Conference of Chairmen of Municipal Assemblies adjourned here yesterday. The resolutions were cabled to the War and Navy Ministries, the Foreign Office, and other official quarters.—Domei.

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Britain to Stand by During Week-End

Full Preparations For Tension Feared After Hitler Speech

London, Apr. 27.

The British Government is making preparations to man anti-aircraft units throughout the country day and night during the crisis expected to attend Chancellor Adolf Hitler's reply to President Roosevelt's peace appeal this week-end, it was learned last night.

Precautions similar to those taken during the September crisis already are under way, it was indicated in informed quarters.

The first impression that utmost precautions would be taken came from the statement in the House of Commons by the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, who said yesterday that it would be necessary to reinforce anti-aircraft defence during the current period of "uneasiness."

Motor Cars Under Control

In case of war, Britain's 2,000,000 privately owned motor cars and 450,000 motor cycles will not be allowed to run except for certain forms of National Service. This rigid regulation will be part of the scheme. Defence Departments are preparing for drastic rationing of all petrol and oil in wartime.

Under this scheme, fuel requirements of the Army, Navy, and the Royal Air Force, and especially the latter, will have priority although every effort will be made to ensure that the 500,000 commercial vehicles in Britain will be able to carry out essential transport.

Thousands of vehicles, including many of the country's 50,000 omnibuses, will be converted into ambulances. Private cars will be needed for moving patients from hospitals and transporting evacuated children and others from railheads to their assigned billets. Many private motor cycles will be needed for dispatch riding, but nearly all these vehicles not so employed will be kept off the roads.

Local authorities will be allowed a minimum of vehicles for purposes of civil defence.

Steps are being taken in the near future to ascertain what private vehicles the various Government departments will require. This is already being done in respect of commercial trucks.

Conservation of Oil

Should war start, one of the first orders to go out will be to private garages ordering them to stop the sale of petrol and oil to motorists not concerned with national defence.

Britain's mechanized army and hugely augmented air forces will require millions of gallons of fuel in the next war. Every gallon has to be transported to this country from abroad by ships themselves, in a large majority, burning oil and convoyed by an oil-burning Navy. Oil, even more than food, will be Britain's lifeline in the next war.

Recent attempts at oil-drilling in the United Kingdom have been a failure. Traces of petroleum where found in several places but not enough to enter into the Government's calculations. The process of converting the country' huge coal deposits into oil is still a costly process in its infancy. These has been much discussion in recent years of converting at least some of Britain's oil-burning warships so that they can burn coal or both coal and oil.—United Press.

Hospital Work Shows Increase for March

Report of Lester Hospital Reveals Much Activity

A large increase in the number of patients treated at the Lester Chinese Hospital took place during the month of March according to a report issued by hospital authorities yesterday. Most of the departments experienced an increase of about 25 per cent. over the number of patients cared for during February.

The number of industrial accidents is higher by about 100 per cent. and births by about 50 per cent. There has also been an increase of 50 per cent. with regard to attempted suicides. Members of the hospital staff dealt with 21,162 out-patient visits and 515 patients were admitted to the hospital during the month. A total of 200 inpatient and 318 outpatient operations were performed during March, some of these being included in the 41 industrial accident cases which were brought to the hospital for treatment.

Medical aid was given 560 persons brought in by the Shanghai Municipal Police, and 33 cases brought to the hospital by the French Municipal Police were also cared for. The largest number to appear on hospital records, however, was that for prescriptions dispensed. A total of 21,677 prescriptions were filled by hard-working members of the staff during the month. Chief causes of sickness were mumps, and to a somewhat lesser degree measles. Smallpox has almost entirely disappeared, as is usual at this time of the year.

Russian Variety Show

Under the direction of N. V. Hoodovich a number of Russian artistes, one exception, gave a concert and variety show in the Lyceum Theatre, there having been two crowded houses at 6.45 and 9.15 p.m. A programme of 21 items was presented, which met with general approval.

Of special interest to the Russian community were the vocal selections of Vertinsky and Redgie, each of whom was called back numerous times. The former dallies more with romance and love in his interpretations while Miss Redgie appealed to her followers by drawing comparisons of animals, and touched their risibilities thusly.

The non-Russian portion of the audience perhaps appreciated the Russian quartette, whose renderings were a musical treat, the bass and tenor being in fine voice (their names were not included in the programme). Charlie Chaplin and friend rocked the house with laughter, while the Six Peaches in two dance ensembles and Chervonnaya's gypsy dances left nothing to be desired. The Trio Largo, adagio acrobats, displayed several new "twists."

Chinese Burglar Gets Three Years

Broke Into Home of Late Mr. Bertram Lillie

Charged with burgling four foreign residences, including that of Mr. Bertram Lillie, the late principal of the Lester School and Henry Lester Institute of Technical Education who was killed in a motor car accident in Hongkew on Monday night, Tsai Tehhua was sentenced to three years in prison yesterday by the First Special District Court. The police are still looking for other members of the gang.

The burglary at the residence of the late Mr. Lillie was committed on April 5 when the British educator was on his way to Shanghai from England. The thieves broke into his home at 401 Great Western Road and escaped with several thousand dollars' worth of valuables including an electric gramophone, an electric clock and silver articles. The exact value of the stolen articles will have to be estimated by Mrs. Lillie who unfortunately is in hospital suffering from the injuries which she received during the accident.

Tsai was arrested on April 12 several hours after another burglary had been committed at the residence of Mr. G. M. Popple at 41 Great Western Road. He was arrested while he was carrying an electric cabinet radio. Through his confession, the police visited a hideout of his men but failed to make arrests as the men had escaped.

It was revealed in court that altogether about $3,000 worth of valuables had been stolen from Mr. Popple's home. Mr. T. Erzinger at 41 Edinburgh Road and Mr. F. W. Hobbs at 18-426 Great Western Road were mentioned as other victims of the same gang. At the latter's home the thieves stole a typewriter, a sewing machine base and a pair of spectacles.

District Combed for Terrorists

"Ta Tao" Police Arrest Man with Two Pistols

With one man and two pistols already in their custody the Greater Shanghai Police in the western district are combing the district for terrorists who are responsible for the many killings in the district many weeks ago when murders and shootings were often reported from the district.

According to Chinese sources, between Tuesday and Wednesday evening a large-scale search was conducted by the Chinese police in Tsaokadoo, the Chinese area in the western district where they arrested one Chou Tze-ying. In his possession, it is alleged, two pistols were found.

Chou is further alleged to have told the Chinese police that he has 22 comrades with Hsieh Hsiang-lin as their leader. His gang is said to be responsible for the murder of Kan Su-pao, chief detective attached to the Greater Shanghai Police Station in the western district which crime was committed many weeks ago.

It will be recalled that it was then reported by the Chinese press that Kan was killed by guerillas who resented his connection with the "puppets" and Japanese. If this former report is true, then the Greater Shanghai police have now been brought face to face with the guerillas operating in their own district.

Monthly Luncheon of St. George's

Sir Victor Sassoon Guest Of Honour

The monthly lunch of the committee of the local branch of the Royal Society of St. George was held yesterday in the Shanghai Club, under the presidency of Major J. T. Ford, O.B.E., the guest of honour on this occasion being Sir Victor Sassoon, Bt.

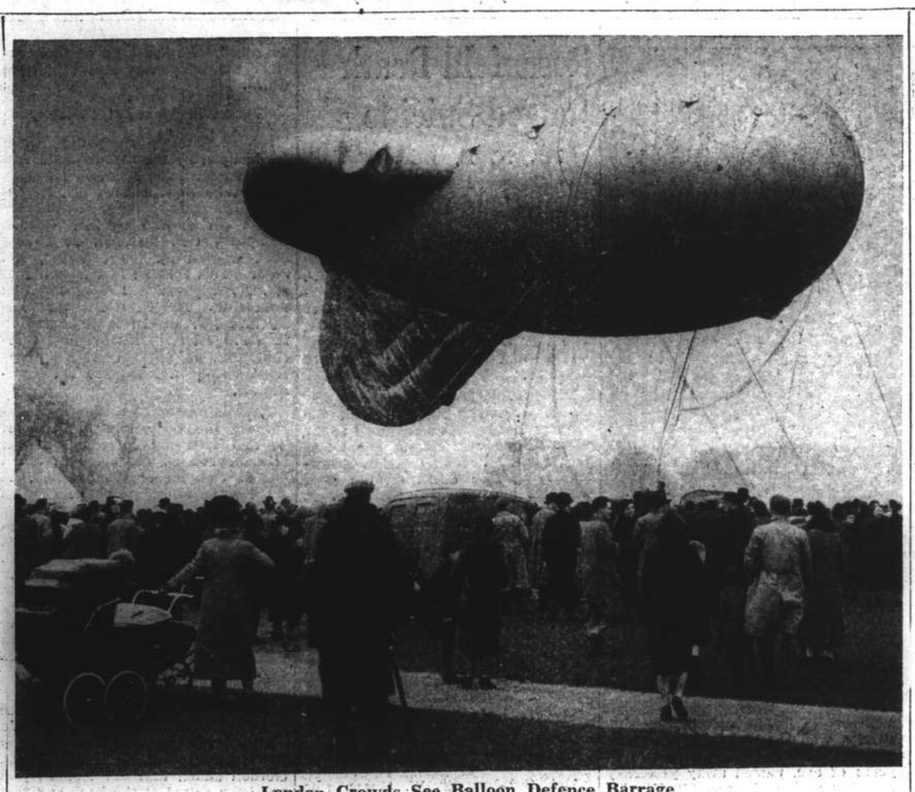
During the course of the lunch reference was made to the results of the scholarship examinations held earlier in the month and the number of laughable howlers which were perpetrated by some of the candidates. They need not, however, feel at all dismayed about them, for a swift questioning of many of the members of the committee as to who wrote the poem "The Burial of Sir John Moore," one of the questions asked in the examination, failed to elicit a correct answer from any of them.

In proposing the toast of the guest of honour, Major Ford spoke of the distinguished career of Sir Victor Sassoon before, during and after the Great War, and in particular spoke of the large amount of charitable work which he did so unobtrusively. It was a very welcome fact that Sir Victor was back in Shanghai and able to take an active part in the work of caring for the refugees from Central Europe, and in conclusion the President thanked Sir Victor for the honour he had done them in being present that day.

Sir Victor replied in a most felicitous vein, including in his remarks two humorous anecdotes which were exceptionally well received.

"La Revue Nationale Chinoise"

The current number of "La Revue Nationale Chinoise" contains a souvenir of the departure of Lieut.-Col. Perretier in the shape of photographs of the various military detachments drawn up to do him honour. Another illustrated article describes the library of Aurora University, while the air is dealt with in articles on Air-France and photography from the air in which two interesting pictures are given of Romenay-en-Bresse and Village de Bram (Aude). The universities of China are on the move and an article by Franz Michael deals with this aspect of the hostilities. The work of France in China in the matter of orphanages, hospitals and medical services is described in the third instalment of a serial article, and news from Indo-China, general news and the customary diary for the preceding month together with an economic section and a map of the new Japanese offensive go to make up an informative number.



London Crowds See Balloon Defence Barrage

Babies and perambulators had to give way in Hyde Park, London, to the invasion of crowds interested in the display of London defence units. Picture shows one of the defence balloons.

Japan Has 115,192 Unemployed

Total Soon Expected to Be Increased to 341,745

Tokyo, Apr. 26.

At the end of last year 115,192 Japanese were unemployed, including 26,360 owners of small enterprises and 88,832 workers, according to a survey just completed. In addition, 199,553 persons, including 53,155 proprietors and 146,398 employees, were to be thrown out of work in the immediate future, making a total of 341,745 facing unemployment.

Tokyo Prefecture topped the list with 159,000 unemployed, about fifty per cent. of the total for the whole country. Unemployment was most numerous in the textiles industry, accounting for 39 per cent. of the total. Next came the iron and steel, nonferrous metals, hides and leather, rubber, paper, building, automobile and transportation industries, all of which have been hit by the Government's schemes for economic mobilization. Silk textiles and ceramics suffered as a result of a decline in export trade, while restaurants, foodstores and jewellers were hit by a fall in demand.

An official announcement states that 62 per cent. of the jobless were males. In the iron and steel industry, 86 per cent. of the unemployed were males, in the hides and leather field, 90 per cent.; non-ferrous metals, 78 per cent.; rubber, 65 per cent. and other material mobilization industries, 84 per cent. Women accounted for 63 per cent. of the unemployed in the textiles industry.—Reuter.

German Fleet Off Portugal

Lisbon, Apr. 26.

The German war vessels now carrying out "spring manœuvres" in Spanish waters, were sighted this morning off the Portuguese coast.

The squadron seen included one capital ship, one cruiser, five destroyers and three submarines. The vessels will first call at Spanish ports and will visit Lisbon on May 6.—Havas

Irish, Welsh Guards Get 2nd Battalions

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Apr. 26.

The King has approved the reformation of the Second Battalion, the Irish Guards, and the creation of a Second Battalion for the Welsh Guards.—Reuter.

F.R.B. Currency Again Slumps

Peiping, Apr. 26.

The Federal Reserve Bank currency in North China continues to slump in terms of national currency. The premium on national currency rose from last Saturday's level of 17 per cent. to 21 per cent. yesterday, and then touched a new high level today of 25½ per cent.—Reuter.

Panama Canal Closed to Commercial Traffic

Washington, Apr. 26.

The Panama Canal was closed to merchant vessels as from noon today in view of the impending arrival of a large number of American war vessels, on their way from the Atlantic to their Pacific bases. Several destroyers, in the van of the rest of the Fleet, were sighted this morning. The Fleet now returning to its bases in the Pacific was originally due to go to New York on the occasion of the World Fair's opening.—Havas.

Japan's "Canned" Silk Stock Nears End

Government Sale in Open Market Brings Results

Tokyo, Apr. 27.

"Canned" raw silk, bought up by the Government since 1929 to maintain a steady price level, will be totally exhausted shortly as a result of the extreme shortage of silk this year, "Nichi Nichi Shimbun" said yesterday.

During the past ten years, the Agriculture and Forestry Ministry has been exporting "canned" silk to British India, Australia and other countries on consignment by the Mitsui and Mitsubishi companies.

The original amount of "canned" silk totalled 110,330 bales valued at Y.137,949,800, but by the end of February of this year the silk had decreased to 26,500 bales.

There was a time when it was generally believed that these stocks would not be exhausted for many years. However, almost all the stock has been sold out since the Ministry started to sell it on the open market last year, the "Nichi Nichi" stated.—Domei.

Cotton, Wool Plan For "New Asia"

Japanese Government Will Sponsor Scheme For Output Increase

Tokyo, Apr. 27.

With Gen. Kuniaki Koiso, I.J.A.R., who gained fame as chief of staff of the Japanese Kwangtung Army, as its head, the Ministry of Overseas Affairs will soon play a prominent part in the economic development of the Asiatic continent under plans disclosed here yesterday. Gen. Koiso took over the overseas portfolio on April 7.

A ten-year plan to increase raw cotton production in Central and North China, and sheep wool in Manchoukuo and Inner Mongolia, has been drafted by the Ministry's experts. Conferences have been held between the Overseas Affairs Ministry, the Ministry of Forestry and Agriculture, the East Asiatic Sheep Wool Association, and the Japan Cotton Cultivation Association, over production expansion plans, which will be put into practice soon.

With the aim of increasing raw cotton production in North China by 100,000 piculs, the ten-year plan will provide for technical and capital support to cotton growers in that area.

Subsidy Appropriated

A subsidy of Y.725,000 will be granted to the Japan Cotton Cultivation Association during the first year of the ten-year plan. The Overseas Ministry will rasie the remainder of a required Y.3,000,000 fund for the ten-year project. Half of the sum will be raised in Japan.

Similar technical and capital assistance will be given the Central China Cotton Production Improvement Association, which is expected to increase cotton production in Kiangsu, Chekiang, and Anhwei Provinces by 50,000,000 piculs.

Ranches in Manchoukuo and Mengkiang will be enlarged, while each camp will be furnished with 5,000 sheep. Two large ranches will be opened in co-operation with the Good Neighbour Association. An annual subsidy will be granted by the Overseas Ministry, with a first-year instalment of Y.1,950,000 given to the East Asia Sheep Wool Association.—Domei.

FUNERAL

Mr. J. Melbourne Scott Burr

Funeral services were conducted yesterday afternoon at the Chapel in the Bubbling Well Cemetery for the late Mr. John Melbourne Scott Burr, veteran stockbroker, pilot and old China hand, who died suddenly last Tuesday. The services were conducted by Dean Trivett of Holy Trinity Cathedral. Mr. Burr joined the Shanghai Sharebrokers' Association in 1910 and was chairman for about twenty years and was known for his straightforward and trustworthy character. He was 84 years of age and is survived by his wife and daughter. A number of Shanghai Stock Exchange members were present from whom a beautiful wreath was placed at the foot of the casket.

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

Hongkong & Shanghai Bank

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 1939

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 7/32	$ 29.20
U.S. $100 @ 16	$625.00

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 8 9/32	$ 28.57
U.S. $100 @ 16 1/4	$615.38
London—demand	8 5/16
4 months' sight credits	8 1/4
4 months' sight docts	8 3/16
6 months' sight credits	8 3/16
6 months' sight docts	8 1/8
New York—demand U.S.	$16 1/4
4 months' sight credits	16 1/4
4 months' sight docts	16 3/8
Paris—4 months' sight docts Fcs.	626

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling	8 1/4	U.S.	$16 1/16
Hongkong/London			1/28 9/32

Chartered Bank

Canadian $100 @ 15 1/2	$627.45
Hongkong $55 1/2	$100.00

Netherlands Trading Society

Netherlands Guilders	Buyng	30 1/2
Java Guilders	„	30 1/4
Netherlands Guilders	Selling	30
Java Guilders	„	30

American Express Co., Inc.

Buying	U.S.$100=$617.76	£1=$28.872
Selling	U.S.$100=$625.00	£1=$29.201

Banque Belge Pour L'Etranger

Belgas 0.94 3/4=$1 Belgas 27.60=£1

Italian Bank for China

It. Lire 3.01=$1	Swiss Frs. 0.71 1/4=$1
Tourist Lire 3.32	$1

Other Quotations

Berlin/Hamburg T.T.	$100=Rm. 40.00
	$100=Reg. Mk. 81.00 incl. License fee

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTERBANK CASH DELIVERY

£	Highest 8 1/4	Lowest	8 1/4
U.S. G.$	16 1/16		16 1/16
Yen	—		—

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

SELLING		BUYING	
April		April/May	
£ T.T.	8 7/32	4 m/s. l.c.	8 9/32
G.$ T.T.	16 1/16	4 m/s. l.c.	16 1/16
Fcs. T.T.	605	4 m/s.	617
Rs. T.T.	45 7/8	15 d/s.	46 1/4

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	20 1/16	19 7/8
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	42 3/4	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	62.13	—

Bombay offtake 50 bars.

London silver was unchanged both ready and forward, being 20 1/16 for ready and 19 7/8 forward. New York was unchanged at 42¾ and Bombay was unchanged at 52.13.

It was reported there were occasional buyers at the fixed rate. Offerings were small. Market ruled quietly steady. After the official fixing the market remained quietly steady, with sellers at 1/16 over the fixed rate.

The local exchange market opened with sellers to merchants at 8 9/32 sterling and 16 1/16 U.S.$.

The Interbank market had the same tendency as yesterday—steady for near and easy forward. During the course of the day, forward rates eased off about 1/16th. in sterling and 1/8 in U.S.$. At the close there were sellers at:—

8 1/4 sterling	16 1/8	U.S.$	Apr.
8 5/32 „	16 3/32	„	May
8 1/16 „	15 31/32	„	June
8 1/32 „	15 29/32	„	July

Foreign Exchanges

Bombay, Rupee T. T. on: Apr. 26.

Japan	78 1/2	London	1/5 13/16
New York	286 1/4	2 mths	
Shanghai	48	„ (sellers)	1/5 27/32
Hongkong	84 1/4	„ (buyers)	1/5 29/32

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	468.12	Milan	88.95
Paris	176.71	Shanghai	8 1/32 d N
Berlin	11.66 1/2	Bombay	1/5 1/32
Amsterdam	8.79 1/4	Hongkong	1/2 3/4
Brussels	27.70	Singapore	2/3 1/2
Madrid	42.25	Yokohama	1/2
Berne	20.94 1/2	„ (Buying)	Unq.

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.14	Japan	27.32
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.18
Holland	53.23	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.64 1/8	C'slovakia	Unq.
Brussels	16.89	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26 1/4	Rumania	0.72 1/2
S'zerland	22.46 1/2	Yugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	24.14 1/2	Greece	0.85 1/8
Norway	23.52 1/2	Bulgaria	1.20
Denmark	20.90	Finland	2.06 3/4
Montreal	99.500	Poland	18.82
Brazil	5.50		

London:	
„ Demand	4.68 1/4
„ Bankers' 60 days bills	4.67 31/32
„ Commercial 60 days bills	4.67 1/2
Buenos Aires Paper	29.04
Buenos Aires Paper, Market rate	23.15
Montreal on London	4.70 1/2

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London Apr. 26.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months	1 11/32%
Bank Bills,	6 months	2 1/4%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	3 1/4%
Fine Trade Bills,	6 months	3 3/4%
Call Money		0 1/2%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0 1/2%B 0 7/8%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 5/8%B 0 1/2%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Apr. 26.

Among commodities, sugar ruled firm and active on a good covering demand, influenced by dearer actuals, whilst jute closed very firm owing to a scarcity of sellers.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 7 1/8 +1/8; sellers 8 unch.; May delivery, buyers 7 1/8 +1/8; sellers 8 unch.

London Sugar (Buyers): May 7/8 +2¾; Aug. 7/5 +3; Dec. 6/5 1/2 +1/2.

Liverpool Wheat (New Contract): May 4/2 3/8 +1/2; July 4/4 1/4 +1/2; Oct. 4/6 1/2 +5/8.

Liverpool Cotton: Amer. Futures: May 4.54 unch; July 4.32 +1; Sept. 4.13 unch; Oct. 4.11 unch; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7) No. 2 contract: May 6.24 —3; July 6.34 —3; Sept. 6.34 —3; Oct. 6.43 —3.

London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash, sellers £41 3/4 +1/4; 3 mths sellers £42 1/4 +3/4; Electrolyic, buyers £45 +¾; sellers £48 1/2 +1/4; Tin, Standard, cash, sellers £224 +1; 3 mths sellers £221 1/4 +1/2; Lead, Foreign, official price, sellers £14 1/2 +1/8; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £14 5/8 +1/8; Spelter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £13 3/4 +1/8; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £13 1/2 +1/8.—Reuter.

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

The Stock Exchange suffered a further loss, the second in two days, in the death of Mr. Andrew Brady, one of its most popular members and an ex-Chairman. Before the call-over it again fell to Mr. Rutherford to acquaint members of the sad fact and to pay tribute to Mr. Brady's memory in addition to conveying the condolences of all members to Mrs. Brady.

Inactive conditions prevailed but the undertone of the market appeared better with sellers inclined to hold back. Keen attention continued to be focussed on all reports regarding Japan's attitude in the event of a European conflict with the opinion steadily growing that our neighbour will maintain a neutral attitude. If this news is correct one of the strongest deterrents to a better market will be removed.

Ewos closed with buyers at $20.10 and sellers at $20.30 with only a small turnover recorded. All other shares were correspondingly quiet.

Raw rubber improved fractionally in London and New York and locally there was slightly better enquiry.

Official Averages

1939 High	1939 Low		Today's Average	Changes
155.03	105.32	General	138.96	—0.03
152.40	95.55	Rubbers	138.48	unch.

Total 10,026 shares, 177 bonds.

Morning Session

$15,700	S'hai Power 5½% Debs.	$ 39.75
₹2,000	I. I. Trust 6% Debs.	₹ 75.00
40	S'hai Power (Pref)	$127.25
1,100	Ewo Mills (Ord)	20.10
1,500	New Eng. (Ord)	6.95
100	Wheelock	35.60
100	Tram (Bearer) £1 XD	37.25
1,000	Exploration	7.65
1,400	Tram (Bearer) £1 XD	37.00
200	Ewo Mills (Ord)	20.10
800	Ewo Mills (Ord)	20.20
100	Kaiping	24.75
100	S'hai Dock	99.50
100	Ewo Mills (Ord)	20.10
100	Wheelock	35.25

ODD LOTS

2	S. W. W. "A" £20	$625.00
5	S'hai Power (Pref)	127.25
30	Wheelock	35.25
200	S'hai Land	8.70
750	S. W. W. Fittings	1.10
339	S. W. W. Fittings	1.00

Afternoon Session

500	S'hai Land	$ 8.65
100	Ewo Mills (Ord)	20.20
100	Wheelock	35.25
300	Wheelock	35.50
1,000	Semambu	6.80

ODD LOTS

50	Dominion	$ 6.00
10	Dominion	5.90

London Stocks

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

London, Apr. 26.

General approbation of the Budget was reflected in the cheerful tone prevailing on the Stock Exchange today, where British gilt-edged securities and industrials advanced sharply in early trading. Despite later profit taking, industrials recorded final gains, though British gilt-edged securities lost a major part of their initial advance. Breweries were particularly strong, because fears of a possible increase in taxation had proved unfounded.—Reuter.

	Apr. 25	26
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£91 7/8 XD	91 3/4

JAPANESE BONDS

Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	33 1/4	33 1/2
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	40	39 1/2

Osaka, Apr. 27.

Kogo 5%	Y.103.98

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL

Allied Ironfounders	18/4 1/2	18/4 1/2
Armstrong Stevens	7/6	7/6
Assoc. & Elec. Indus.	37/7 1/2	37/10 1/2
Austin Motors, ord.	30/-	29/4 1/2
Bristol Aeroplane	20/-	20/-
British American Tob.	93/1 1/2	93/1 1/2
Cable & W., new form	42 1/2	42 3/4
Cammell Laird, ord.	7/7 1/2	7/7 1/2
Courtaulds	23/10 1/2	23/10 1/2
Distillers	88/-	89/6
Dunlop Rubber	24/6	24/6
General Elec. (Eng.)	76/10 1/2	77/1 1/2
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	101/-	104/-
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	18/4 1/2	18/4 1/2
Imp. Chem. Indus.	28/4 1/2	28/9
Imp. Tobacco	124/4 1/2	123/11 1/2
Leyland Motors	85/-	85/-
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	57/-	57/7 1/2
Pressed Steel, com.	16/7 1/2	16/6
Rolls-Royce	102/6	102/6
Smethwick Drop Forgings	15/9	15/9
Tate & Lyle	60/4 1/2	60/-
Turner & Newall	76/1 1/2	76/-
United Steel	23/1 1/2	23/6
Vickers, ord.	20/-	20/3
Woolworths	59/1 1/2	59/7 1/2

MISCELLANEOUS

Anglo Dutch	23/6	23/4 1/2
Rubber Pltn. Inv.	24/3	24/6

MINES

Burma Corp.	8/1 1/2	8/1 1/2
Commonwealth Min.	1/-	1/-
Marsman Invest.	13/9	13/9
Randfontein Ests.	35/6	35/6
Sub-Nigel	207/6	206/9
Tanami Gold Min.	3d.	3d.
Western Holdings	11/6	10/6

OILS

Anglo Iranian	81/10 1/2	81/10 1/2
Burmah	77/6	77/6
Mexican Eagle	6/10 1/2	7/3
Shell Trans. & Trad.	80/-	80/-

XD—Ex dividend.

CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.

4½% Gold Loan, 1896	£65	65
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	62 1/2	62 1/2
4½% Anglo-French Loan	57 1/2	57 1/2
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	35	35 1/2
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	50 3/4	50 3/4
6% Stg. Notes, 1925	17	17
5% Honan Rly., 1905	21	21
5% Hukuang Rly., 1913	22	22
5% „ „ (Ger. Is.)	20 1/2	20 1/2
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	17 3/4	17 3/4
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	25 1/2	25 1/2
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	17 1/2	17 1/2
5% „ „ G.	17 1/2	17 1/2
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	17 1/2	17 1/2
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	17 1/2	17 1/2
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	19 1/4	19 1/4
S'hai Elec. Construction	25/- N	25/- N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19 1/2 N	19 1/2 N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	30 1/2	30 1/2
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	7 1/2	7 1/2
H. & S. Bank (Ltn. Reg.)	84	84
„ (Col. Reg.)	85	85
Chinese Eng. & Min.	17/-	17/-
Chosen Corp.	6/-	6/-
Pekin Syndicate	2/- N	2/- N
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	16/10 1/2	16/10 1/2

N—Nominal.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Apr. 27	Closing Prices a.m. Closing	p.m. Closing
Antamok	.32	.33
Atok	.30	.31
Balatoc	8.40	8.40
Batong Buhay	.016	.016
Benguet Consolidated	11.60	11.50
Big Wedge	.27	.27
Coco Grove	.32	.335
Demonstration	.13	.13
I X L	.53	.52
Masbate	.125	.125
North Camarines	.42	.43
Sam Mauricio	.93	.96
Surigao Con., Com.	.19	.19
Surigao Con. Voting T.	.18	.18
Suyoc	.15	.16
United Paracale	.59	.59

Turnover 209,000 pesos.
Shares Index: (Closing prices) 96.93.—Reuter.

Anglo-Dutch Dividend

At the annual meeting of shareholders to be held on May 16 the board will recommend that a dividend of 10 dollar cents per share for the year ended December 31, 1938 be paid.

New York Stocks

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York Apr. 26.

A good upturn in values was received on the Stock Exchange today as traders took heart being influenced by various factors, principal among which were continued good earnings reports, the advance in the electrolytic copper price to 10¼ cents and anticipations that the tone of Herr Hitler's speech tomorrow may be better than now expected. After opening barely steady, prices hardened towards noon on an influx of good buying and covering and finally closed around the day's tops. The volume of trading registered was better, amounting to 580,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	129.06	126.44	128.56	+1.20
20 Rails	25.93	25.35	25.78	+0.19
15 Utilit.	22.25	21.85	22.15	Unch.
40 Bonds	—	—	88.07	—0.02
11 Commod.	—	—	47.72	+0.40

	Apr. 25	26
Adams Express	7 1/4	7 1/4
Alleghany Ludium Steel	16 3/4	16 3/8
Allied Stores	7 1/2	7 1/2
Allis Chalmers	31 1/2	32 3/4
Amerada Corp.	63 3/4	62 1/2
Amer. Can	89 3/4	87 1/2
Amer. & For. Power	2 1/2	2 3/8
„ „ $7 pfd.	14 5/8	B 14 1/4
Amer. Gas & Elec.	33	32 1/2
Amer. Locomotive	17 1/8	17 1/2
Amer. Metal	27 1/2	B 27 3/4
Amer. Radiator	11 7/8	12
Amer. Rolling Mill	13 1/2	13 3/8
Amer. Smelting	39 1/4	40 3/8
Amer. Sugar Refining	—	17 3/8
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	158 1/2	159 1/2
Amer. Tobacco "B"	81	80 3/4
Amer. Waterworks	9 1/4	9 1/2
Anaconda Copper	22 3/4	23 5/8
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	26 1/4	26 5/8
Auburn	—	—
Baltimore & Ohio	5	5
Barber Asphalt Corp.	13	13
Barnsdall Oil Co.	14	13 7/8
Bendix Aviation	20	20 3/4
Bethlehem Steel	55 3/4	55 3/4
Boeing Airplane Co.	21	21
Borg Warner	21 1/8	22 3/4
Briggs Mfg. Co.	19	19 1/2
Bklyn-Manhattan Trans.	11 1/4	11 1/4
„ $6 cum. pfd.	38 1/4	38
Can. Pacific Rly.	3 3/4	3 7/8
Case, J.I.	70 1/8	70 1/2
Celanese Corp.	16 3/4	16 1/4
Chase Nat. Bank	B 31 1/4	B 29 1/4
Chesapeake & Ohio	31	31 1/2
Chrysler	62 5/8	63 5/8
Columbia Gas & Elec.	5 7/8	6
„ 6% "A"	83 1/8	B 83
Coml. Credit	42 7/8	43 1/4
Comm. & Southern (ord.)	—	1 3/8
„ $6 cum. pfd.	53	—
Consolid. Edison	30	30 1/4
Consolid. Oil	7 3/8	7 1/4
Continental Can	36 1/2	36 7/8
Continental Oil	23	23
Corn Products	55 7/8	57
Curtiss Wright (com.)	5	5
„ „ "A"	22 1/2	23 1/2
Deere & Co.	17 3/8	17 5/8
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	16 3/8	16 3/4
Douglas Aircraft	59	58
Du Pont de Nemours	138 1/2	140
Eagle Picher Lead	B 8 1/2	8 1/2
Eaton Manufacturing Co.	19 1/2	20
Elec. Auto Lite	26 3/4	27 1/8
Elec. Bond & Share	7 3/4	8
„ $5 pfd.	—	53 1/2
„ $6 pfd.	62	62 1/2
Elec. Pwr. & Lt.	24 1/4	25
Flintkote	19	19 1/2
Food Machinery Corp.	B 21 5/8	22 3/4
Gen. Amer. Trans. Corp.	43	42 3/8
Gen. Elec.	34 5/8	34 3/4
Gen. Motors	41 1/2	41 5/8
Gen. Rly Signal	B 16 1/4	16
Glidden Co.	15 3/4	15 3/4
Goodrich (B.F.)	15 3/4	16
„ $5 pfd.	—	60
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	24 5/8	25 1/4
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	12 1/8	12 1/2
Great Nthrn. Rly.	18 5/8	19
Great Western Sugar	25 3/8	25
Greyhound Corp.	16 7/8	16 3/4
Hecker Products	9 7/8	10
Homestake Min.	64	64
Indus. Rayon	B 19 1/4	19 1/2
Int. Harvester	54	54 1/4
Int. Nickel	45 5/8	45 7/8
Int. Tel. & Tel.	6 5/8	6 5/8
Johns Manville	72 3/4	73
Jones & Laughlin	B 36 1/4	B 36 3/4
Kennecott	30 7/8	31 3/4
Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	39 7/8	40 1/2
Lockheed Aircraft	23 1/4	23 1/8
Loew's Inc.	39 3/8	39 3/4
Manhattan Shirt Co.	10 1/4	—
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	32 1/2	22 3/4
McKesson & Robbins	—	12
Monsanto Chemical	93	91 3/4
Montgomery Ward	44 7/8	44 7/8
Nat. City Bank	B 24 3/4	B 23
Nat. Dairy Products	15	14 7/8
Nat. Distillers	24	24 3/8
Nat. Gypsum	11 1/8	11 1/4
Nat. Lead	20 1/2	20 7/8
Nat. Power & Lt.	7 3/8	7 3/8
Nat. Steel Corp.	59	59
Nat. Supply Co.	8 3/8	8 1/2
New York Central	13 3/4	14
Niagara Hudson Power	6 1/2	6 3/8
North Amer. Aviation	13 5/8	13 7/8
North Amer. Co.	21 1/8	21 1/2
Northern Pacific	8	8 1/8
Pacific Gas & Elec.	30	30
Pacific Lighting	44 3/4	45
Packard Motors	3 3/8	3 3/8
Paramount Pictures Inc.	8	8 1/8
Pennsylvania R.R.	17 1/8	17 3/8
Phelps Dodge	29 3/4	31 1/8
Phillips Petroleum	33 1/2	34 3/4
Public Serv. of N.J.	34 7/8	34
Pullman, Ind.	25 3/4	26 1/2
Pure Oil	7 1/2	7 1/2
Radio Corp.	6 3/8	6 1/4
Republic Steel Co.	15 3/8	15 1/8
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	37	36 5/8
Richfield Oil Corp.	7 3/4	7 5/8
Safeway Stores	32 1/2	32 3/4
Schenley	13 3/4	—
„ 5% pfd.	70	—
Sears Roebuck	65 3/4	66 7/8
Seversky Aircraft	4 1/8	4
Shell Union Oil	11 1/2	11 1/4
Socony-Vacuum	11 3/4	11 7/8
Sthrn. Pacific	12 1/8	12 1/4
Sthrn. Rly. 5% pfd.	19	20
Sperry Corp.	38 7/8	39 1/4
Stand. Brands	6	6
Stand. Gas & Elec.	2 5/8	2 5/8
Stand. Oil of Calif.	26	26
Stand. Oil of N.J.	44 1/2	45 5/8
Stone & Webster	10	10 1/8
Swift International	27	27
Technicolor	17 1/8	16 7/8
Texas Corp.	36 5/8	37
Texas Gulf Sulphur	28	28 1/4
Transamerica	5 3/4	5 3/4
Tw. Century	18 3/4	19 1/2
„ pfd.	—	29
Un. Carbide & Carbon	70	72
Un. Pacific	88 5/8	88 3/8
Un. Aircraft	34 3/4	34 1/2
Un. Air Lines Trans.	9 5/8	9 5/8
Un. Corp.	2 1/2	2 3/8
„ $3 cum. pfd.	32	32
Un. Gas Corp.	—	—
Un. Gas Improvement	11 1/2	11 5/8
U. S. Rubber	35 1/4	35 3/4
„ 8% pfd.	93	94 3/4
U. S. Steel	46 3/8	46 7/8
Vanadium	19 1/4	19
Warner Bros. Picts.	4 3/4	4 5/8
Westinghouse Elec.	89 1/2	91
Woodward Iron	B 16	B 16

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	53 1/4	53 1/4
Brazil	16 5/8	16 1/4
Baltimore & Ohio	19	19 3/8
Cities Serv. Pwr.	77 3/8	77 1/4
Erie R.R.	9 1/4	9 1/2
Int. Tel. & Tel. 5s	60 3/4	60 7/8
Minas Geraes	10 1/4	B 10
New England Gas & Elec.	60 1/4	60 3/8
Peru	8 7/8	B 8 7/8
Rio Grande do Sul	B 10 1/8	B 10 1/8
Sao Paulo	B 9 1/4	B 9 1/4
Sthrn. Pacific Co.	43 1/2	43 3/8
Stand. Gas & Elec.	58 1/2	58 1/4

B—Bid.

Dow-Jones Summary

Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Stock prices rallied with gains ranging from one point upwards, following an early decline, with the trading pace and volume increasing slightly. The advance was attributed to a Berlin dispatch indicating that Herr Hitler's speech will not close the door to further appeals for peace, and also the speech might include an appeal for peace. Other factors included: a higher price for copper metal, increased electrical output and several favourable earnings reports.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, Apr. 26.

Today's stock exchange showed the continuation of the favourable tendency which set in last Friday. The tendency weakened slightly in the course of the day and quotations were not quite uniform at closing time. Fixed interest securities stood practically unchanged.

Call money rates rose by another quarter to 2⅜, 2⅝ per cent.—Trans-Ocean.

Question of Utility Surcharges

Futility of Comparing Settlement and Concession Rates Stressed

IN dealing with questions raised at the annual meeting of ratepayers on April 19 "Finance and Commerce," in its issue of April 26 has the following to say on the subject of "Public Utility surcharges."

Mr. Stewart accomplished nothing because he endeavoured to accomplish too much. A large part of his speech upon the Economy Committee dealt with the question of giving exchange compensation on one-third of the salaries of "A" class employees instead of on one-seventh, and with the help of charts he endeavoured to demonstrate what this change meant on a percentage increase basis. Admittedly this point has never been satisfactorily explained, and the speaker might have secured a useful elucidation of the mystery if he had contented himself with a direct question which could have been given a direct reply.

Throughout there were too many general statements to which no adequate answer could be given during the course of an afternoon meeting. Questions asked in the rhetorical manner covered too wide a field, and there also appeared to be a curious tendency to compare the administration of the Foreign Settlement with that of the French Concession to the detriment of the former. For example:

How does the cost of the Shanghai Municipal Council Police Department compare with that of the police department of the French Municipal Council, taking into account the differences in population and area of the respective territories?

Why have there been heavy increases allowed in the cost of electricity and water in hte Settlement while at the same time and operating under almost identical conditions no increases have been levied in the French Concession prior to April 1, 1939?

Another speaker put the matter in this way:

Publicity comes into the question of electricity and gas surcharges. We are told that we have to pay 32½ per cent. extra on our electric juice and 25 per cent. extra on the gas. Why? Because the Treasurer and Controller is satisfied? We know the Council's attitude to pivot boy allowances—does a similar "pivot boy" line of thought actuate the Council in its decision on electricity costs?

How is it that in this Settlement the surcharge is 32½ per cent. while just across the way—French Concession—an increase has only just been announced and then only 15 per cent. on light?

Question of Comparisons

The reasons for the surcharges for gas and electricity and for the discontinuance of the rebate for water have been fully discussed during the past year, and details have been published. Obviously, it would be impossible for the Chairman of Council at a public meeting to enter into comparisons between the costs of public utility undertakings in the Settlement and the French Concession, but if such comparisons are required there is information in our possession which may be useful. It is information from published records which is available to anyone, and could have been easily obtained by the speakers had they been seriously in search of facts.

Shanghai Power and the French Co.

An analysis of the Shanghai Power Company's results for the past year appeared in "Finance & Commerce" of April 12. We have not yet seen the French Company's report for 1938, but the following translated extracts from their Board of Directors report for the year ended December 31, 1937, are to the point:

"The French Concession did not suffer very much from the Sino-Japanese hostilities and our company's installations did not undergo very much damage. The electricity and water service was never interrupted.

"Our operating returns, affected by the depression in 1934 and 1935 started to improve during the second half of 1936. The increase as compared to the corresponding period in 1935 was Ch.$191,696. This increase was more in 1937. It reached a figure of Ch.$838,515, which increase until now had never been reached.

"During 1937 the Chinese dollar stayed around the official rate fixed in shillings by the Chinese Government, whereas our franc went from 6.28 to 8.74.

"The exchange, together with the increase in our receipts, explains the marked increase in our profits in francs, from 21,143,547.47 in 1936 to 36,347,362.67 in 1937.

"We have placed to profit this large increase to amortize completely certain installations, independently of our usual amortizations. The net profit of 36,347,362.67 francs allows us to propose the distribution of a dividend of 75 francs per share instead of 55 francs last year, and to bring forward 4,615,475.93 francs instead of 1,302,848.56 francs in 1936."

This shows a very healthy state of affairs for the French Company during a year which proved, in many ways, disastrous for the Power Company. The French Company's electricity customers rose by 4,022 from 34,739 at the end of 1936 to 38,761 at the end of 1937, whilst the Power Company's customers fell by about 22,000 from 78,934 to approximately 57,000. (It was impossible to determine the exact number because a large portion of the Power Company's area was under military control and consumers had fled.) The French Company's revenue rose from $4,713,717 to $5,139,300, while the Shanghai Power Company's revenue, in spite of the seven very prosperous months from January to July, 1937, fell from $25,565,731 to $22,505,877. The French Company's losses through physical damage caused by the hostilities were apparently negligible. The Shanghai Power Company's losses to property and installations amounted to approximately $900,000.

There is no need to labour these differences. It is common knowledge that the French Company had been pressing for a surcharge for a long time and that the French Municipal Council delayed authorization, presumably because it knew that the Company, at any rate until very recently, had enjoyed a fair measure of prosperity.

The Surcharges

The Shanghai Power Company's surcharge, which fluctuates with the dollar rate, came into effect on September 1 last. The French Company's surcharge, which amounts to 15 per cent. on lighting and 25 per cent. on heating and power, was enforced as from March 6 last. Even now, however, there is no great difference between the French Company's all-in rates and the Power Company's. This is because some of the French rates were higher than the Power Company's before the surcharges were imposed (for many years their rates were substantially higher than those of the Power Company's rates) while the Power Company's rates for large consumption, even with the existing surcharge, are more favourable to the customers than French Company's.

The French Company's capital is in francs and it is probable that the majority of shareholders are resident in France. If this is so, it is practically certain that they have not suffered the slightest financial inconvenience from the troubles through which Shanghai has passed, or from the depreciation in the dollar.

These facts seem to us very significant and we throw them into the ...e common stock, not because we think that they will influence those orators who merely wish to declaim (too great insistence on facts cramps the oratorical style), but because we feel it to be advantageous that the business public should thoroughly understand the position, and have their minds disabused of any loose ideas there may be that surcharges and allowances are granted to Shanghai utilities in any light-hearted, irresponsible manner.

Liverpool Corn Trade Association Report

Past Year Most Anxious In History of Trade

London, Apr. 26.

Apart from war years, the past year has been the most anxious and disturbed year in the history of the Liverpool corn trade, says the annual report of the Liverpool Corn Trade Association. The report attributes this to the steep decline in world prices combined with acts of Governments which have hindered free exports, imports, storage and distribution of wheat. Particularly, it says, the action of the British Government is stated to have curtailed the economic storage space.

In view of the uncertainty of when security stock would be released, the report declares, the trade has not cared to contract for supplies ahead in the normal manner. The Association complains that the Government should have selected three large milling firms only as channels through which security stock could be accumulated, leaving the trade as a whole in the dark concerning the Governments intentions regarding holdings.

Referring to the storage question, the Association is glad to say that in the last few weeks the food defence plans department has been doing its utmost to release storage space by considerably reducing the security stock in public warehouses in Liverpool, with a resultant increase in private stocks.

The report criticizes the United States Government's sale of 3,000,000 quarters on a subsidy basis. The effect of this sale on Liverpool futures, it adds, was to drive down prices and curtail business.

Regarding the present efforts of the International Advisory Committee, the Association is not optimistic, commenting that the technical difficulties appear insuperable.

Moreover, the report concludes, it will be up-hill work for exporting countries to persuade European nations to pay less attentiont to the protection of farmers, unless exporters reduce their own barriers against imports.—Reuter.

U.S. Commodities

Wednesday's Closing Quotations

New York Apr. 26.

Trading on the cotton market was early fairly active, with prices advancing on Bombay and Wall Street buying and covering by shorts, whilst the firmness of Liverpool cables was a contributory factor to the rise. Conditions at the close were good, with gains ranging from 11 to 12 points above yesterday's close.

The rubber market was a trading affair, with most operations consisting of May liquidation and switches. However, some trade buying was seen which influenced a further small upward adjustment. Closing prices ranged from unchanged to 6 points up, compared with the previous final levels.

Weather considerations again exercised the principal influence in the Chicago Grain Pit. Though fluctuations in wheat were confined to a narrow range, final quotations showed advances from ⅛ to ½ cent.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
May	8.38-38 +11	May	15.76-78 +06
July	8.14-15 +12		B/A
Oct.	7.81-81 +11

City Reactions to Budget Figures

Criticism Confined to Heavy Increase in Horse-Power Tax

London, Apr. 26.

The City took the staggering Budget figures unflinchingly, the serious international outlook having prepared everybody for a herculean effort.

The manner in which the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir John Simon, proposes to meet the present emergency by distributing the burden as widely as possible, is generally approved.

Criticism is confined to the heavy increase in the horse-power tax, which some fear may hit British exports of high-powered cars, the market for which has only recently been painstakingly developed. On the other hand, a heavier tax is also likely to reduce the British market for imported cars of high horse-powers.

Motor shares are well maintained in face of the unexpectedly high increase tax burden, on the theory that the companies specializing in high-powered vehicles are all manufacturing aeroplane engines, army lorries, etc., the profits on which will offset a decline in revenue from sales of private cars.

Tobacco shares today were slightly below yesterday's close.

Relief at escaping additional taxation was reflected in a raise of brewery shares.

Money Market Calm

Sterling, which is normally affected by Budget statements, showed scarcely any reaction as huge borrowing was fully anticipated. Moreover, it is held impossible to base the outlook on economic factors alone while the international situation continues to be fraught with danger.

The increased surtax, it is believed, is not likely to cause an overflow of capital as a moderate taxation margin has ceased to be a determinant of the capitalists' disposition.

Not perturbed by the additional tax burden, sugar continued on the up-grade. Terminals were firmer on the persistent tightness of supplies, which is considered likely to continue until the end of the present quota year unless the International Sugar Council agrees to further releases.

Prices for refined sugar were also higher, partly owing to a scarcity of immediately available supplies which recent Treasury action curtailed as a precautionary Budget measure, and partly in adjustment of increased duty.

Leading sugar refiners, in an interview with Reuter today, stated that they did not expect a falling off of consumption for the present although the possibility of a slight recession in demand from the poorer classes later was not ruled out.—Reuter.

British Universities Society of China

Annual Meeting to Be Held At Park Hotel Tonight

The annual general meeting of the British Universities Society of China is being held in the Park Hotel this evening April 28, and the meeting is to be followed by a cine programme on "Colourful Peking" and "Beauty Spots in Britain."

In the report which has been sent to members, it is stated that the Society has in membership 136 active members which shows an increase of 67.9 per cent. over the preceding year. The secretary, in his report, mentions the success of the educational work of the Society which is undertaken by four groups, the Economic and Business Group, the Literary Group, the Music and the Science group.

The secretary concludes his report with the following comment: "Such has been the work of the Society during the year now closing. It is fitting that our grateful thanks should be tendered to all who have contributed to the programmes, and also to those members, institutions and hotels, who have so kindly placed their premises at our disposal but what of the year lying before us?

Extension of Activities

"We need to consolidate our forces and extend our activities. Your secretary has during the year corresponded with the Universities China Committee in London and with other bodies and individuals by and through whom we may be able to foster and develope not only Sino-British cultural relations, but also machinery for the practical work of advising and assisting University students, both Chinese and foreign, in their proceeding to, attendance at, or returning from a British University. Herein lies much of our most important work. To do this we must aim to secure the active and enthusiastic co-operation of each and every one of our members in the work of the Groups, meetings and last, but not least, our social gatherings. More members are desired and if in the year lying before us we can in one way or another strive to pull together by each rendering his or her quota of interest and active support, I feel sure our Society will merit and have the approval of all who are best able to judge of its doings, including the Government of the country now so sorely tried and within whose gates we are no longer considered strangers, but friends."

The Patron of the Society is Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, K.C.M.G., and Mr. Harold G. B. Perry who has performed the duties of Secretary during the past year has been nominated as President for the year 1939-40.

The Society has a balance on hand of $386.66 which shows a deficit of $146.19 as compared with the previous year. This is largely accounted for by the increased activities of the Society during the past year.

The annual report gives an interesting account of the history of the Society, together with the articles of the constitution adopted at the inaugural meeting, together with a complete list of members, who have been associated with British Universities in all parts of the Empire, South Africa, Canada, Australia, New Zealand being represented along with those of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales.

Analysts Optimistic But Cautious

New York, Apr. 26.

New York Stock Exchange analysts continued to advise their clients against making large commitments today although they feel in many instances that Chancellor Adolf Hitler's April 28 reply to President Roosevelt's peace appeal will not close the door to negotiations. Some analysts even believe that war scares are out of the way for the remainder of the year.

Special attention was given to U.S. Steel where a full preferred dividend was ordered for the first quarter of the year, indicating that the company's directors have sufficient confidence in the immediate future to warrant taking $5,500,000 out of surplus.

Prices on the Exchange rallied today with many issues advancing more than a point. The rally followed a drop in prices early in the session. The impression that Herr Hitler would not close the door to further negotiations was responsible for the rally.

U.S. Steel earnings reports of only $862,551 was disappointing to common stock holders and depressed the stock early in the session. However, the stock recovered later in the session and closed around its previous close.

Reports that auto sales were increasing aided motors. Shorts covered Eastman which dropped to a new low and then spurted up six points. Rails and utilities made small advances. Aviations closed irregularly while buildings and farms gained.

Wall Street hears that Montsanto Chemical first quarter earnings will be 60 per cent. above last year. The outlook for oilshares is regarded improved. Most analysts expect a cautious lightening of positions tomorrow in view of Chancellor Hitler's speech. Douglas Aircraft earnings will be around eight cents per share for the first quarter.

Favourable market factors today included:

1. Auto retail sales in the last ten days in April are expected to rise sharply.
2. The strengthening of copper.
3. Indications that car loadings are rising more than usual for the season.
4. Electricity production extended its year-to-year gain to the highest level of 1939.

Among the unfavourable factors were these:

1. The European situation.
2. The American coal strike, which is adversely affecting other industries.
3. The magazine "Iron Age" anticipates a further steel operating decline.
4. The discouraging statistical position of petroleum.—United Press.

THE importation of Manchoukuo staple products into Chekiang has now been banned by order of the Chekiang Provincial Government, says a report to the "Sin Wan Pao." Chinese consignors and consignees, the report adds, have been instructed to register such Manchurian products with the Chekiang authorities beginning from April 8 to April 28, otherwise such goods will be treated as enemy cargo and confiscated. No further shipments will be permitted after that date, the report states.

HASENKLEVER BURGUNDIES

CHABLIS
SAVIGNY
POUILLY-FUISSE
POMMARD
VOSNE-ROMANEE
CHAMBERTIN
etc., etc., etc.

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Sections of the Harbour

1 North Chinese Bund to Kinlecyuen.
2 Kinlecyuen Wharf to Signal Station.
3 Signal Station to Custom House.
4 Customs Shed to Peking Road Jetty.
5 Peking Road Jetty to Old Dock.
6 Old Dock to S. & H. Wharf Flagstaff.
7 S. & H. Flagstaff to Old Ningpo.
8 Old Ningpo to Chinwangtao Jetty.
9 Chingwangtao to Waterworks Intake
10 Waterworks to Yanking Creek.
11 Yangking to Cosmopolitan Dock.

Lower Section Cosmopolitan Dock to Woosung.

Wharves and Docks

S=Shanghai side. P=Pootung side.

APCGHW	A.P.C. Gough Is. Wharf	P LS.
APCLW	A.P.C. Lower Wharf	P 11
APCUW	A.P.C. Upper Wharf	P 10
BJ	Boyd's Jetty	P 6
CMCW	China Merchants' Central	S 5
CMEW	China Merchants' Eastern	P 10
CMLW	China Merchants' Lower	S 7
CNCBs	China Nav. Co. Buoys	S 2
CNCW	China Nav. Co. Wharf	S 2
CNPW	C.N. Co. Pootung Wharf	S 2
COCW	China Oil Co. Wharf	P LS.
CosD	Cosmopolitan Dock	P 11
CosDW	Cosmo. Dock Wharf	P 11
GJ	Garden Jetty	S 5
HSW	Hoong Shin Wharf Co.	P 1
HtsW	Hunt's Wharf	S 6
HWYK	Holt's Yang King	P 10
IntD	International Dock	P 11
IntDW	Int. Dock Wharf	P 11
JNJ	Japanese Naval Jetty	P 8
KLYBs	Kinlecyuen Buoys	S 1 & 2
KLYW	Kinlecyuen Wharf	S 1 & 2
KMAW	Kailan Wharf	P 10
KPW	Kaiyosha Pootung	P 10
KSD	Kiousin Dock	Si
KW	Kwanghua Oil Co.	P LS.
MBKUW	M.B.K. Upper Wharf	P 8
MBKW	M.B.K. Wharf	P 11
McKW	Mackenzie's Wharf	P 2
MW	Mollers' Wharves	S8
NKKW	Nisshin Kisen Wht.	P US
NSCW	Ningshao Co. Wharf	S 1
NYKMW	N.Y.K. Mail Wharf	S 5
NYKPW	N.Y.K. Pootung Wharf	P 10
OD	Old Dock	S 6
ONW	Old Ningpo Wharf	S 7 & 8
OSKYW	O.S.K. Yangtszepoo	S 8
OW	Outside Woosung	
PWE	Pootung Wharf East, Ewo	P 9
PWW	Pootung Wharf West, Ewo	P 9
QA	Quarantine Anchorage	
SHW	S'hai & H'kew Wht.	S 6 & 7
SOCW	Standard Oil Wharf	P LS.
TDW	Tai Dong Wharf	S 8
VOCW	Vacuum Oil Co. Wharf	P LS.
WIA	Woosung Inner Anchorage	
WSW	Wayside Wharf	S 8
WTW	Watung Wharf	S 1
WW	Whangpoo Wharf	S 9
YPD	Yangtszepoo Dock	S 9
YPDW	Yangtszepoo Dock Wht.	S 9
YW	Yangtszepoo Wharf	P 10

Past Office Notices

Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is requested in order to make connection with the below-mentioned closing times.
(Last connecting time from Sub-Offices to Head Office is 19.35 on week days and 19.05 on Sunday).

Date and Destination	Per		Reg.	Ord.
FRIDAY, April 28.				
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.		*20.00	7.15
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Tejo		16.30	17.00
SATURDAY, April 29.				
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Shuntien		*20.00	8.00
Tsingtao Wei. C'foo T'sin	Shuntien		7.30	8.00
Tsingtao and Dairen	Hoten M.		8.00	8.30
Swatow H'kong Haiphong	Taisang		8.00	8.30
Kwangtung	Taisang		8.00	8.30
Chefoo and Tientsin	Esang		9.00	9.30
Nantung	Nantung M.		14.30	15.00
Aust. (Y) N.Z. (Y) S.S. India Suez(Y) Europe(Y)	Hector	A	14.30	16.00
Hongkong (Y)	Hector		15.30	16.00
Aust. N.Z. and Indo-China	Tatuta M.		15.00	16.00
Hongkong and Canton	Tatuta M.		15.30	16.00
Indo-China (Z) via H'phong	Kwangtung	B	—	—
Formosa via Keelung	Hukuken M.		20.00	20.00
SUNDAY, April 30.				
Japan Korea and Formosa Honolulu Canada U.S.A. and Europe via Pacific	Emp. Russia	C	10.00	10.00
Swatow H'kong Haiphong	Kwangtung		18.30	19.00
Swatow and Hongkong	Yatshing		18.30	19.00
Kwangtung	Yatshing		18.30	19.00

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for S.S., Gt. Britain and other countries,, closes at 12.00 on 29th.
B Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 29th.
C Parcel mail for Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada and Europe, closes at 16.00 on 29th.
Y Superscribed correspondence.
Z Parcel mail only.

Air Mails

Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Tatuta Maru, on April 29, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary, and due Marseilles on May 10, and London on May 11.

Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Tatuta Maru, on April 29, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary and due San Francisco on May 10.

Air France (Hongkong-Marseilles) per ss. Empress of Japan, on May 2, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary, and due Marseilles on May 12, and London May 13.

Neth. (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per ss. Hector, on April 29, at 3 p.m. for registered and at 4 p.m. for ordinary, and due Amsterdam on May 14, and London on May 15.

Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per available steamer to Hongkong for transmission to Saigon.

Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service :—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m. for registered and ordinary.

Train Mail

Light mails for or via Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Chenghsien; Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily at 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.

Light mails for Kiangpei Offices west and north of Jukao via Chinkiang close daily at 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via S.H.N.R. close daily at 11.30 a.m. for Hangchow local at 11.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via T.P.R. and north Pinghan close daily at 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.

Light mails for Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang close daily at 9.30 a.m. and 10.30 p.m.

Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Nanchang per available steamer via Yungkia.

Ocean Mails for Europe and America.

Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin or Chinwangtao for transmission.

Next steamer mails will be closed as follows :—

ss. Hector, via Suez, April 29, due London June 4.
ss. Empress of Russia, via Pacific, April 30, due London June 4.
ss. Gneisenau, via Suez, May 3, due London May 30.

Weather, Time and Tide

Friday, April 28, 1939 (9th day of 3rd moon)	SICCAWEI			
	April 26		April 27	
	16.00	21.00	4.00	9.00
Barometer inches	29.96	30.06	30.04	30.07
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.03	+0.09	+0.11	+0.07
at 32 F. (" 12 hrs.)	+0.03	+0.06	+0.08	+0.01
Wind (direction)	N	N	W	W
" (miles per hour)	16.2	8.1	8.1	12.4
Temperature (Fahr.)	69.4°	56.5°	50.0°	64.4°
Humidity %	37	54	89	48
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	3	1	0	0
Rainfall inches				

Siccawei Abridged Report April 26	Mean 1939	24 hrs. variation	66 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	29.99	+0.02	29.95
Temp. Min. 55.°2 Max. 75.°2	65.°2	+9.°2	59.°5
Total rainfall January to 1 midnight before last (inches)	11.33	0.01	10.76

Time and Tide	28/4	29/4	30/4	1/5	2/5
Sun rises at Shanghai	5.13	5.12	5.11	5.10	5.10
Sun sets at Shanghai	18.31	18.31	18.32	18.33	18.33
Moon rises at Shanghai	13.01	14.05	15.10	2.30	3.27
Moon sets at Shanghai	1.19	2.00	2.40	15.53	16.51
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18	3.57	5.40	7.12	8.30	9.41
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18	10.10	11.55	12.38	13.30	14.25
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18	7.32	8.29	9.31	10.22	11.02
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	7.95	8.70	9.35	9.90	9.78

Passenger Lists

ARRIVALS

Per Fausang, April 26, from Hongkong and Ports: Mr. Chen Ling, Mr. M. Marchiex, Capt. W. M. Davis, Mr. Salmon, Mrs. Ellis, Mr. & Mrs. Springer and Inft.

DEPARTURES

Per Hunan, April 28, for Hongkong: Col. & Mrs. Costeloe, Mrs. B. Wasikowska, Mr. M. McPherson, Mr. A. Anfeng, Mrs. Edwins.

Per Fausang, April 28, for Tientsin and Ports: Mr. & Mrs. W. Ford, Mr. & Mrs. Talbot, Dr. & Mrs. R. Flaes & Two children, Miss H. Greller, Mrs. E. C. Rechtenzee, Dr. Walter Sax, Mr. Sam Dean, Rev. A. H. Birkel.

Vessels Discharging

MALAYAN PRINCE. The m.v. Malayan Prince, from New York and Ports.—This vessel is now discharging all her cargo (except Opium and Munitions of War), at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.'s Hongkew Wharf, Hongkew. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their cargo, (Consignees of "Bulk Cargo, will further be required to send their representatives to the Wharf to verify the weights of such cargo whilst it is being landed). All claims against this vessel must be sent in within fourteen days from date of vessel's arrival, or they will not be recognized. All risk of Fire at the Wharf and Godowns to be borne by the Consignees of cargo. Examination of broken and shipdamaged cargo will be held at the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf on May 3, at 9 a.m., when Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy will be in attendance. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents. 30-4

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive to-day are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From NEW YORK: Niel Maersk, with mail, due 12 noon, Hunt's Wharf. Passengers expected at Custom Jetty 2 p.m.

From YOKOHAMA: Hector, with mail, due 7 a.m. Buoys 11-12. Passengers expected at Custom Jetty 9.30 a.m.

From DAIREN: Hoten Maru, with mail, due p.m. Whangpoo Wharf.
Sinkiang, due a.m. French Bund.

From TIENTSIN: Taisang, due a.m. Roosevelt Terminal.

From KEELUNG: Hukuken Maru, due 9 a.m., O. S. K. Wharf.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From GDYNIA			**From GENOA**		
Bellerophon	7/3	29/4	G. Ceasar	20/4	15/5
Antilochus	4/4	26/5	Scharnhorst	26/4	19/5
From COPENHAGEN			Victoria	27/4	22/5
Danmark	1/3	15/5	Africa	25/4	10/6
Africa	1/4	10/6	**From TRIESTE**		
From OSLO			C. Rosso	12/4	7/5
Nanking	28/3	19/5	Himalaya	20/3	9/5
Trianon	17/3	29/5	**From PORT SAID**		
Tritoon	13/4	15/6	Lippe	9/4	11/5
Peiping	27/4	17/6	Elbe	18/4	12/5
From HAMBURG			Nanking	15/4	19/5
Scharnhorst	15/4	19/5	Behar	26/4	24/5
From BREMEN			Sarpedon	26/4	25/5
Duisburg	21/3	15/5	Trianon	14/4	29/5
Sauerland	4/4	25/5	**From SUEZ**		
Preussen	18/4	7/6	Glenshiel	13/4	14/5
From ROTTERDAM			Katori M.	28/4	23/5
Preussen	27/4	7/6	Sauerland	27/4	25/5
Zuiderkerk	27/4	10/6	Antilochus	25/4	26/5
Triton	25/4	15/6	Glenfinlas	27/4	27/5
From ANTWERP			**From BOMBAY**		
Gleniffer	4/3	4/5	Melbourne M.	3/4	29/4
Lippe	23/3	11/5	Nagpore	13/4	3/5
Elbe	9/4	12/5	Ranchi	27/4	14/5
Serooskerk	20/3	13/5	B. Beihaven	26/4	16/5
Glenshiel	18/3	14/5	**From KARACHI**		
Glenfinlas	1/4	27/5	Himalaya	13/4	9/5
Neckar	20/4	3/6	Mansei M.	10/4	12/5
Zuiderkerk	17/4	10/6	**From COLOMBO**		
Glengarry	15/4	11/6	C. Rosso	27/4	7/5
From GLASGOW			P. Doumer	28/4	12/5
Agamemnon	25/3	14/5	Serooskerk	23/4	13/5
Sarpedon	8/4	25/5	Duisburg	24/4	15/5
Deucalion	22/4	8/6	Bhutan	28/4	15/5
From LIVERPOOL			Haruna M.	24/4	20/5
Aeneas	18/3	30/4	**From CULCUTTA**		
Pyrrhus	25/3	9/5	Talma	6/4	30/4
Agamemnon	1/4	14/5	**From SINGAPORE**		
Achilles	8/4	21/5	Nagpore	23/4	3/5
Sarpedon	15/4	25/5	Danmark	22/4	15/5
Lycaon	22/4	8/6	**From SOERABAIA**		
From LONDON			Tjisalak	24/4	13/5
Rajputana	24/3	30/4	Tjisadane	28/4	13/5
Haruna M.	31/3	8/5	**From BATAVIA**		
Ranchi	6/4	14/5	Tjisalak	28/4	13/5
Bhutan	1/4	15/5	**From MANILA**		
Katori M.	14/4	23/5	P. Castle	24/4	30/4
Behar	15/4	24/5	Anna Maersk	24/4	2/5
Ranpura	21/4	28/5	**From HONGKONG**		
Yasukuni M.	28/4	2/6	See "China Ports" below.		
From MARSEILLES					
P. Doumer	14/4	12/5			
Aramis	28/4	26/5			

AMERICA AND JAPAN

From NEW YORK			**From SAN FRANCISCO**		
P. Castle	15/3	30/4	Silversandal	11/4	11/5
Agapenor	27/2	30/4	Kamakura M.	27/4	20/5
Foylebank	6/3	30/4	Dardanus	22/4	24/5
Laura Maersk	25/3	10/5	Chi. Prince	28/4	27/5
Silversandal	23/3	11/5	Lossiebank	28/4	27/5
C. Pittsburg	16/3	13/5	**From HONGKONG**		
S. Scientist	3/4	23/5	See "China Ports" below.		
Dardanus	27/3	24/5	**From YOKOHAMA**		
P. Maersk	8/4	24/5	Suwa M.	23/4	1/5
Lossiebank	6/4	27/5	Emp. Japan	28/4	2/5
Chi. Prince	11/4	27/5	Talthybius	27/4	2/5
G. Maersk	25/4	13/6	Abbekerk	26/4	5/5
C. of Derby	18/4	15/6	**From KOBE**		
From PANAMA			Tatuta M.	27/4	29/4
P. Maersk	19/4	24/5	Suwa M.	27/4	1/5
From VANCOUVER			Taiyo M.	26/4	8/5
Emp. Japan	14/4	2/5	**From NAGASAKI**		
From SEATTLE			Shanghai M.	29/4	30/4
Talthybius	2/4	2/5	**From KEELUNG(Formosa)**		
From LOS ANGELES			Tyosa M.	30/4	2/5
Tatuta M.	27/3	29/4			
Laura Maersk	15/4	10/5			
Kamakura M.	24/4	20/5			

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

From CAPETOWN			**From MELBOURNE**		
Ruys	19/4	27/5	Tanda	1/4	11/5
From DURBAN			**From BRISBANE**		
Ruys	25/4	27/5	Tanda	17/4	11/5

CHINA PORTS

From DAIREN			**From HONGKONG**		
Tsingtao M.	30/4	2/5	Foylebank	27/4	30/4
From TIENTSIN			Rajputana	26/4	30/4
Yatshing	25/4	29/4	Aeneas	26/4	30/4
Tingsang	28/4	1/5	Kingyuan	25/4	30/4
Hangsang	29/4	2/5	Taksang	26/4	30/4
St. V. de Paul	29/4	2/5	Talma	27/4	30/4
Shengking	29/4	3/5	Agepenor	23/4	30/4
Fooshing	29/4	3/5	Emp. Russia	27/4	30/4
Mingsang	30/4	4/5	Anna Maersk	27/4	2/5
Kwaisang	30/4	4/5	Chengtu	25/4	2/5
From HONGKONG			Taiyuan	28/4	3/5
Bellerophon	21/4	29/4	Gleniffer	26/4	4/5
Kwangtung	25/4	29/4	Chaksang	30/4	4/5
			Kaying	2/5	6/5
			Szechuen	4/5	8/5

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

FAUSANG Apr. 28. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Buoys on Friday, April 28, at 9 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. Tender from Customs Jetty 8 a.m. Friday. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 28-4

ESANG Apr. 29. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, April 29, at 11.30 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 29-4

JOHAN. JUSTESEN Apr. 29. CHINWANGTAO DIRECT.—The Kailan Mining Administration will despatch the ss. Johanne Justesen, Captain F. Heisterberg, on Saturday, April 29, 1939. For freight or passage, apply to the Agent, 30 Foochow Road. Tel. 11070. 29-4

SHUNTIEN Apr. 29. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Saturday, April 29, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 29-4

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

AENEAS May 1. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO, TAKU BAR.—For freight and passage apply to Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 1-5

KANCHOW May 2. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Tuesday, May 2, at 9.30 a.m. For freight apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 2-5

TAKSANG May 2. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Tuesday, May 2, at 10 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 2-5

CHENGTU May 3. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Wednesday, May 3, at 10.30 a.m. For freight apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 3-5

CHAKSANG May 6. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, May 6. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 6-5

SOUTH CHINA COAST

TAISANG Apr. 29. SWATOW, HONGKONG and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, April 29, at 11 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 29-4

KWANGTUNG Apr. 30. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Sunday, April 30, at 6 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 29-4

YATSHING May 1. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Monday, May 1, at 8.30 a.m. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 30-4

KINGYUAN May 2. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Tuesday, May 2, at 9.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 2-5

TINGSANG May 3. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Wednesday, May 3, at 10.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 3-5

TAIYUAN May 5. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Friday, May 5, at 11.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 5-5

JAPAN

RAJPUTANA May 1. KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 1-5

STRAITS AND EUROPE

SONTAY Apr. 29. ORAN, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, ANTWERP, DUNKIRK via ADEN and PORT SAID.—For particulars apply to Messageries Maritimes, 9 Quai de France. Tel. 82034. 29-4

HECTOR Apr. 30. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM and GLASGOW.—For freight and passage apply Agents, Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 30-4

GLENAPP May 2. CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and ANTWERP via HONGKONG and STRAITS.—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents, Glen Line Ltd. Tel. 15290. 2-5

AGAPENOR May 4. PHILIPPINES, SINGAPORE, LIVERPOOL, BROMBOROUGH and GLASGOW.—For freight and passage apply, Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 4-5

GNEISENAU May 4. GENOA, BARCELONA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN and HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L., 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 4-5

SHANTUNG May 4. ALGIERS, ORAN, CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, COPENHAGEN, OSLO, and GOTHENBURG via HONGKONG.—The Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.'s m.s. "Shantung" will leave Shanghai on or about May 4, for the above mentioned ports. Through Bills of Lading to all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. Cargo for U.K. ports accepted on Optional Bs/L. For freight and passage please apply to The Ekman Foreign Agencies Ltd., Hamilton House, Foochow Road Entrance. Tel. 11330. 4-5

ABBEKERK May 6. ADEN, PORT SUDAN, PORT (Loading on May 5.) SAID, GENOA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, AMSTERDAM, HAMBURG and BREMEN.—The Holland East-Asia Line ms. Abbekerk sails from Shanghai on May 6. For passage and freight apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., General Agents, Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. 16247 (4 Lines). 6-5

CARTHAGE May 9. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 9.30 a.m. Tuesday, May 9, 1939. Hand packages only accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, May 8. Customs Permit required for any nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 9-5

CITY OF ATHENS May 10. HARVE, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and GLASGOW.—The Ellerman Line steamer City of Athens is due to sail for Harve, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg and Glasgow on May 10, 1939. Lacey and Cannan, Ltd. Telephone 12854, 3 Lines. 10-5

BANGALORE May 16. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, HAVRE, LONDON, HULL, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM and ANTWERP via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, PORT SUDAN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—For Freight Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 16-5

AMERICA

ANNA MAERSK May 1. Via JAPAN for LOS ANGELES and via PANAMA to NEW YORK, BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA, BALTIMORE, SAVANNAH and NORFOLK.—For Freight and Passage apply to Melchers & Co., Agents, Maersk Line, 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 1-5

AUSTRALASIA

NELLORE May 5. SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via (From Hongkong) PORTS.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd. No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 5-5

TAIPING May 15. MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, (From Hongkong) CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.—For freight and passage apply to A.-O. Line, Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 15-5

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B	MENESTHEUS	May 13	M'lles, Casablanca, London, R'dam, H'burg and Glasgow
A	AENEAS	May 27	M'lles, London, Rotterdam and Glasgow.
C	AGAMEMNON	June 10	M'lles, Casablanca, London, R'dam, H'burg and Glasgow
C	LAOMEDON	June 4	Liverpool, Bromborough and Glasgow.

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	From	Due	Sails	For
C AGAPENOR	New York	Apr. 30		
BELLEROPHON	Gdynia	Apr. 30	May 1	Dairen, Taku and Japan Ports
A AENEAS	Liverpool	Apr. 30	May 1	Tsingtao and Taku
C TALTHYBIUS	Pacific Coast	May 2	May 5	Hongkong
C PYRRHUS	Liverpool	May 9	May 10	Japan Ports
B AGAMEMNON	Liverpool.	May 14	May 15	Japan
C ACHILLES	Liverpool,	May 21	May 22	Japan Ports
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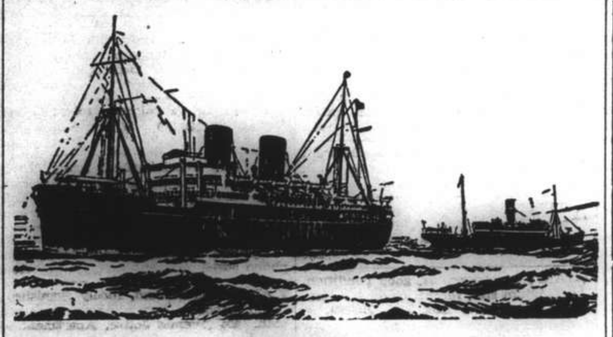

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May 26	May 29	May 31	Pres. Doumer	June 3	June 5	June 6
June 9	June 12	June 14	Aramis	June 17	June 19	June 20

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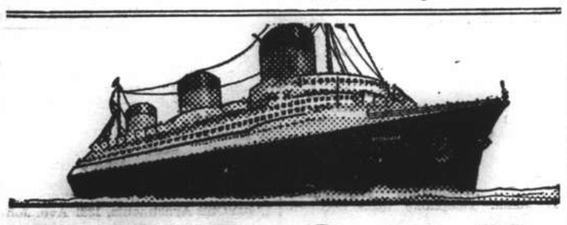

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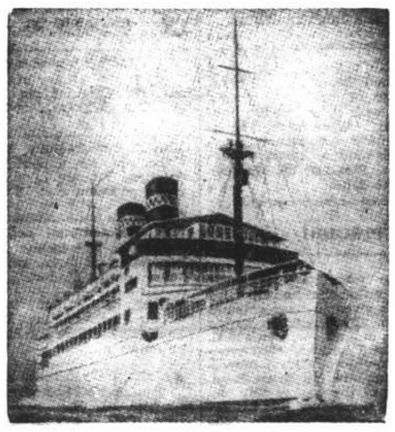

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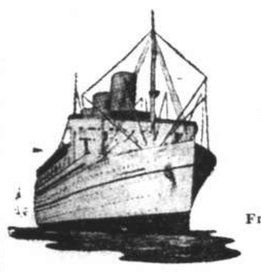

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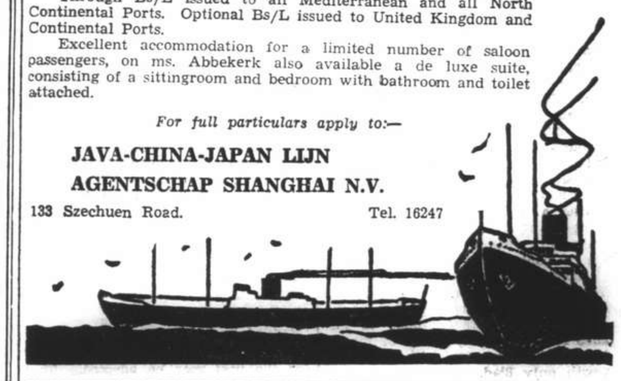

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Ewo Cotton Mills Meeting

Profit of $5,469,404 Made During Past Year
Chairman's Views of Future Optimistic

STATING in his speech that despite the unhappy state of affairs which existed throughout 1938, the profits for the year had been the highest in the company's history, Mr. J. W. Keswick presided as chairman at the eighteenth ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd., held at the offices of the general managers, 27 The Bund, at 11 a.m. yesterday. The chairman was supported by Mr. H. Martin Little, Mr. Zee Quan Yuen and Mr. Pan Ching-poo, members of the consulting committee. A total of 186,124 shares was represented. The chairman said in his speech:

Despite the unhappy state of affairs which existed throughout 1938, our profits are the highest in the company's history, and they might well have been larger but for the restrictions imposed north of Soochow Creek. It was not until the second half of February, 1938, that it was possible to resume operations—and then only in a very small way—at our two largest mills.

In the Report before you the credit balance on profit and loss account amounts to $5,469,404.84, and your consulting committee recommends a final dividend of $2.75 on the ordinary shares, making $3.50 for the year, while the usual 8 per cent. dividend on the preference shares is in accordance with the issued terms.

Fixed Assets Written Off

We recommend writing off buildings, plant, machinery and other fixed assets the sum of $450,000—a liberal sum particularly when it is remembered that last year over $1,000,000 was appropriated for this purpose from the balance at credit of the share premium account. You will note that it is proposed to transfer two small amounts to general reserve and cotton fluctuation funds respectively. This is to round off the figures.

It is proposed to reimburse equalization of dividends reserve by $150,000. This will bring the reserve up to $1,350,000. To modernization of machinery account and special repairs and renewals reserve it is proposed to transfer $400,000 and $200,000 respectively. In regard to the former, I should like to emphasize once more the importance of bringing our plant up to date. Much of our machinery is old. In regard to special repairs and renewals, some of our buildings are old and were considerably shaken by the hostilities. Last year we repaired the more urgent and visible weaknesses. It is our policy to keep our buildings, plant and machines in as good order as possible, and it is for this purpose that this reserve is maintained.

$150,000 for Bonuses

It is suggested that $150,000 be allocated to staff Bonuses and contingencies account, which is applicable to both the Chinese and foreign members of our staff. In view of the very real difficulties and discomforts our staff have experienced and are still experiencing in the Yangtszepoo area, I am sure you will agree with me that they deserve due consideration and I hope this allocation will meet with your approval. We have a very loyal staff, and the success of our working is largely due to them. I know you will join with me in congratulating them.

In regard to the Chinese superannuation fund, it is proposed to make an addition of $30,000. Under prevailing conditions your consulting committee consider it prudent again this year to carry forward the fairly large sum of $274,789.72 to the new account.

Turning now to the Balance Sheet, you will see here reflected the influence of the depreciated exchange. Values in terms of local dollars are all greater than this time last year, and you can easily realize the difficulties a concern of this size has in financing a big turnover. The working capital which was sufficient before the fall in exchange has to be stretched considerably today to finance raw materials, stocks of manufactured goods, etc., with a dollar worth only 8¼d.

Funds from New Shares

The funds from the 150,000 new shares issued early this year, as was fully explained in the circular letter to shareholders dated 8th December, were required partly to finance certain rebuilding and extensions, and the balance was merged in our working capital; but when we are working full time at all three mills we shall still have to depend on facilities from our bankers. The problem of working capital in these days of depreciated exchange and tight money requires very careful consideration.

I draw your attention to the item, Sundry Creditors and Credit Balances, which is shown as approximately $2,400,000. This is greater than last year. But we have to remember that all our figures, turnover, profits, stocks etc., are much higher in terms of the depreciated dollar generally this year. This sum includes figures for stocks of cotton, stores, deposits etc., and of course a great portion of these have been liquidated since these accounts were closed.

$11,400,000 Against Stocks

We have a very large figure against stocks, stocks in process and in transit—about $11,400,000. Our stocks of raw materials at the end of 1938 were actually less than at the end of 1937, yet their total value was almost the same, due, as I have already said, to the depreciated exchange. The quantity of finished goods on the other hand was larger than in the previous year. The reason for this was that our mills in Yangtszepoo were not producing at the end of 1937 although deliveries were freely taking place, whereas at the end of 1938 we were working day and night shifts, and congestion at various ports, and curtailment of transportation facilities generally, were keeping back much cargo which would otherwise have been cleared.

The value of our stocks is likely to increase rather than decrease as long as exchange remains around its present level; and now that we have to rely largely upon foreign grown cotton it is necessary to keep larger quantities for each of our mills. I do not think our stock position therefore need cause any undue alarm. But it illustrates very clearly the importance of ample working capital in these difficult times especially if the company is to continue to do a large turnover in its various enterprises.

I think the only other item which calls for any comment is our cash position. You will notice we have accounts in foreign currencies. These are ear-marked against specific items such as machinery, wool tops, cotton and oil.

In the profit and loss accounts you will see the amount of $68,116.96 debited to interest. During the earlier part of 1938 it was extremely difficult to obtain money on demand. Your consulting committee and general managers decided, and I consider rightly, to take a definite offer of a loan of $1,000,000, which was reduced to $800,000 later, from the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation in March until the end of the year rather than run the risk of having to curtail production because of lack of funds to finance raw materials. Actually owing to satisfactory deliveries the money was not used for the major part of the time. But interest paid especially if we remember the scale of the business and profits at stake, may be regarded as insurance premium paid against a shortage of funds. It was conservative policy, but in view of the situation, amply justified.

During the year under review the office allowance paid to the general managers was increased in accordance with Article XVII Section 2—Subsection (a)—of the Articles of Association. Previously this was Tls. 100,000. In September 1938 it was increased to Tls. 155,000 with the approval and sanction of the consulting committee.

Overhead Increased

Owing to exchange adjustments in salaries, increased staff, both foreign and Chinese, attending to the sales of our new units, and the general expansion of our jute, worsted and dye works, the general office overhead increased considerably of recent years, and the old office allowance was insufficient to cover the expenditure. In the event of any material movement in exchange or any reduction of staff this matter will again be reviewed and adjusted by the consulting committee.

The re-election and fee adjustment of the auditors requires your approval. The consulting committee recommends fixing the fee at $8,600 in respect of the current year and to increase the fee by $807 in respect of the latter half of last year making a total of $7,800 for 1938.

Expresses Appreciation of Police

I would like to put on record our appreciation of the co-operation and help which has always been so readily extended to us by the Shanghai Municipal Police who themselves have to work under the most trying conditions especially in the Hongkew-Yangtszepoo District. I would like also to thank two of our neighbours the Waterworks and the Power Company. I think Shanghai is extremely fortunate in the standard of its public utility companies. We appreciate the efficiency and courtesy we always receive from these two essential great enterprises.

I will not prophesy about the future. We have had a very satisfactory, but abnormal, year. I can only hope that when we meet again next year that we shall once more be in a position to give you a good account. But I anticipate many obstacles and difficulties confronting the trade. However, there are two reassuring points with which I will close; firstly, there is a very real shortage of both yarn and cloth in the interior and, secondly, we face the future with a strong and solid balance sheet.

The chairman's speech, no questions being asked, was followed by a motion proposed by Mr. J. W. Keswick and seconded by Mr. H. Martin-Little, that the report and accounts as presented be passed and that the allocation of profits for the past year be adopted. That Messrs. H. Martin Little, L. J. Davies, J. H. Liddell, Zee Quan Yuen, Pan Ching Poo and Yu Ya Ching be re-elected members of the consulting committee was proposed by Mr. J. E. March and seconded by Mr. E. Sauer.

That Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews be re-elected auditors of the company for the ensuing year at a fee of $8,600, and that in respect of the second half of the year, 1938, their fee be increased by $807, making a total of $7,800 for the year 1938 was proposed by Mr. Pan Tse-chuen and seconded by Mr. H. H. Lenox.

L. H. Barton's Lecture On "Chemotherapy"

A paper on "Chemotherapy" was read by Mr. L. H. Barton, D.I.C., PH.C before the Science Group of the British Universities Society of China yesterday evening at the residence of Dr. J. G. Ledwidge, 114 Peking Road. The lecturer stated that the science of chemotherapy aimed at the discovery of the possible relationship between the physiological activity of a compound and its chemical and physical properties.

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The lecture was well attended and a most interesting discussion followed.

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Forcing their way into a Chinese dwelling house in Lane 424 Avenue Foch at about 6 a.m. yesterday four Chinese, two of whom were armed, held up the inmates of the residence and decamped about 15 minutes' later with money and jewellery to the value of $1,000.

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To receive and consider the Annual Statement of Accounts and the Reports of the Directors and Auditors thereon.
To declare a Dividend.
To elect a Director.
To elect Auditors.
To transact any other ordinary business of the Company.

The transfer books and register of members of the Company will be closed from May 3 to May 9, 1939, both days inclusive.

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